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April 1942

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Sept 13th 1850

The Council met, Present Messrs Landis, Louden, McOuat, Eckert, Hetselgesson, Rooker and Mr Cully President.

The proceedings of the previus meeting were read, and adopted.

The Committee on Markets made the following Report, which was adopted.

Ordered, That the Market Master be directed to ring the bell one half hour before sun rise.

Signed, S Rooker, S. Hetselgesson & A. A. Louden.

The following claims were reported by the Committee on claims to the Council as correct, and on motion were severally read and allowed.

(89)	Allowed,	Williams Evans	for hauling for Market House	$ 3.50
(92)	" "	William Garrett	" " " " "	9.25
(91)	" "	Jacob Miller	for work don on " "	10.00
(86)	" "	George Keesser	for hauling for " " "	1.00
(79)	" "	Benson Cornelius	for " " " " "	2.75
(76)	" "	A. A. Louden	for " " " " "	6.57
(77)	" "	Andrew Smith	for " " " " "	15.62
(87)	" "	Adam Irick	" " " "	9.50

The following orders were presented, severally read and adopted.

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the owner or owners of a building now extending across, and obstructing an alley near the North West Corner of the Madison and Indianapolis Rail Road Depot, to remove so much of said building as now obstructs

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said alley, also to remove the obstruction on the North side walk, and order it to be done within thirty days.

Signed Wm Eckert.

Ordered, That the Madison & Indianapolis R R Company, be permitted to erect a temporary roof across Merrill Street, to connect their Car houses, Provided, said roof be so constructed, as to leave a clear passage of at least fifteen feet in height, The Council reserving the right to order the same to be removed at any time. Signed Wm Eckert

Ordered, That the Committee on Streets be directed to examine into the Condition of the bridge on Virginia Avenue across Pogues Run, and if they deem it necessary, to receive proposals, and contract for, the

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erection of a new bridge, said contract to be made with the lowest responcible bidder therefor, and the bridge to be built simalar to the one lately built on Illinois Street, and that the Secretary is authorised to issue orders therefor on the Certificate of said Committee.
Signed Jos M. Landis.

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner under the direction of the Committee on Streets, let the grading of New York Street between Alabama and Noble Streets to the lowest responsible bidder for cash, in case the petitioners or owners of property on the aforesaid Street between Alabama & New York Streets do not grade the same within the time prescribed by law.

Ordered, That the property holders on Washington Street on the South side of Square No 52, be allowed to take earth from the Burram bank of the Canal, for the purpose of grading their side walk, the same earth to be taken under the direction of the Councilman of the ward in which the earth may be found.

The order presented by Mr Rooker asking for a bridge across the Canal on Market Street, on Motion, was refered to the Committee on Streets & Alleys.

Ordered, That the Marshall of the City of Indianapolis is hereby authorised to Notify the President of the Terre Haute and Richmond Rail Road Company, to comply with the conditions of the contract entered into between the company and said City, allowing them the privilage

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to lay their track in the City. And on failure of said Company to comply with the conditions of said contract in ten days, the Marshall shall report his proceedings thereon to the City Council for further action.

On Motion the Marshall was directed to serve a copy of the above order on each of the Presidents of the several Rail Roads within this city, with instructions to strike out and insert the names of the several Presidents and R R when necessary. The committee appointed to draft an ordinance on hogs running at large were ordered to report at the next meeting.

On Motion Council adjourned.

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Sectry D. V. Culley President

To the Honorable the City Council of Indianapolis:

We the undersigned Citizens of the first Ward in said City and being a majority of the owners of the number of feet opposite our names, residing on New York Street between Noble and Alabama Streets, Respectfully represent to your honorable body, that we are desireous of grading and gravelling said Street between Noble and Alabama Streets aforenamed, and to grade and gravel the side walk on both sides of said New York Street, between the Streets as aforesaid, We therefore pray your honorable body to grant an order in accordance with the prayor of your petitioners, and order the City Engineer to set the stakes therefor, in accordance with the provisions of the ordinance in such case made and provided.

Signed

J. P. Baker	48 feet	T. W. Kofmer	48 feet
H Williams	48 " "	Janet S Mc Ouat	435 " "
Wm A Johnson	48 " "	W. F. Wells	132 " "
B. T. Kavanaugh	195 " "	Henry Stumpf	48 " "
Reuben Adams	48 " "	John Q Adams	48 " "
H. A. Fletcher	48 " "	Simeon Devinger	48 " "
T. R. Fletcher	48 " "	E. Petticord	48 " "
John M. Bramwell	195 " "		
J.M.W. Langsdale	48 " "		
F. Schildmire	48 " "		
C. Free	48 " "		
J. C. Mittay	48 " "		
J. H. Gass	48 " "		
H. Scholmeyer	48 " "		
H. S. Adams	48 " "		
James W. Jones	48 " "		
James Parr	195 " "		

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To the Common Council of Indianapolis: We the undersigned property holders on Washington Street, between Illinois and Tennessee Streets, respectfully, pray your honorable body to direct by Ordinance, that the space between the McAdamizing and the side walks in said section of Streets be gravelled, and the gutter thrown next the curbing, and that the property holders cause the same to be done opposite to their respective property, and that certificates be issued to them for the amount respectively, according to the estimate of the City Engineer receiveable for taxes on said property only.

Signed

	William Sheets	45 ft of Lot 10 Sqr 67
	" " "	19½ ft " " 9 " "
Grand Lodge by	" " agent	63 " " " 8 " "
	Charles Mayer	35½ " " " 7.8.9 " 54

George McOuat	59 ft	of	Lot	11 Sqr	67
James Blake	150 "	"		12 "	67
Chs Dewey by Wm Sheets, agent,	135 "	"		7.8.9 "	54
H. Bates	90 "	"		4 &5 "	54
D. V. Cully,Gillespies,Ext	19 "	"		9 "	67
Mathias Reck	16 "	"		7.8.9 "	54

To the honorable Common Council of the City of Indianapolis

We the undersigned property holders on the South side of Washington Street, between Meridian and Illinois, respectfully ask for the privilage of making and paving with round stone, a gutter commencing at the distance and extend (say two or three feet) from the curbing of the pavement, and of gravelling the space between side gutter and the McAdamized part of the Street, the cost to be borne by the porperty holders. And to be hereafter deducted from the corporation tax on said property in accordance with the provisions of an ordinance of your honorable body in relation to the improvements of Streets &c They also ask for the proper survey; and your petitioners in view of the condition which this part of the Street is in half the year, and the amount of labor put on it by the Corporation year after year to no purpose, and in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray &c.

Signed

Noel & Co	17 ft.	Wm Eckert	18 fet
C & J Cox	17 "	A. Pope	22 "
David George	18 "	Seaton & Holman	16 "
Chs Hagerhost	15 "	N. B. Palmer	67½ "
Chs Mayer	16½"	S. W. Morris	67½ "

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The undersigned inhabitants and tax payers, in the City of Indianapolis respectfully represent to the Common Council of said City, that Kentucky Avenue, the main throughfare to the Cemetaries has never been improved as many of the other Streets have been, and is therefore in bad weather often almost impassable for funeral processions. In as much as said Avenue is one of in which all parts of the City are interested, we pray your honorable body to cause said Avenue to be graded and gravelled in the centre and on the side walks at the expence of the City, and that you cause the survey and estimates to be made immediately, and the work advertized to be let to the lowest responsable bidder.

Signed

D. H. Strickland	John Jenison	Jeremiah Foot	I F. Ramsey
John Sloan	S. A. Colley	J. M. Rice	H. Bates
J. T. Williams	J. M. Talbott	T F Purnell	T.W.Bishop
Thms M Brickett	J. D. Tharpe	A. Graydon	W.H.Lingenfelter
Daniel Carlile	J M. Duzan	T.R.Case	S.Delzell

James M. Ray	T. M Smith	A. Graydon Jr	J F Ramsey
J. B. McChesney	E. I. Peck	B. I. Blythe	H Bates
H. Bassett	H. Parrish	P. Nash	T. U. Bishop
C. H. Test	C. W. Cady	D S. Beaty	W. H. Lingenfelter
Wm Robson	J. Jordon	R. L. Browning	S. Delzell
J. M.W. Langsdale	Henry Ohr	D Maguire	J. Vanblaricum
G. A. Chapman	N. B. Palmer	H. A. Fletcher	
Charles Mayer	William Beck	S. Merrill	
G. L. Welshans	W. Detrick	I Cox	
J. B. Fitler	W. H. Karns	J Gentle	
C Williams	John S. Allen	Wm Biddle	
Charles Fisher	R. Tucker	S. A. Fletcher	
G. W. Harlin	Thos Betts	P. B. S. Smith	
Charles G. Wilson	W. Sheets	R. Dempey	
James Clines	D. Kregelo	L Muneill	
Andrew Smith	J. M. Bramwell	C. I. Honid	
Geo Baker	C. Cox	Wm Y. Wiley	
S. Henderson	Jas Hall	H. S. Platt	
T. Lupton	Fred Baggs	Twainwright	
R. M Patterson	E. H. Hood	I A Roll	
James Blake	J A. Broadaway	E Atkinson	
P. H. Smith	Jesse Jones	N Teal for Streets & not side walks	
John H. Bradley	C. Miller	G Norwood	
A. Harrison	C. B. Davis	G. W. Mears	
Calven Fletcher	D Creaghead	N. Bolton	
D. S. Ward	S McMillen	T. Rickards	

Page 238 Expenses of Elections 1850 Allowed Sept 2, 1850

First Ward

	Daniel Keely	Inspector	$ .50
(439)	James Keely	Judge	.50
	William Payne	"	.50
(407)	Willis W. Wright	Clerk	.50
(223)	Geo. W. Kunberly	"	.50

Second Ward

(300)	Henry P. Coburn	Inspector	.50
	John Wilkins	Judge	.50
(451)	William T.Shirks	"	.50
(501)	Isaac Smith	Clerk	.50
(301)	John Coburn	"	.50

Third Ward

	J M.W.Langsdale	Inspector	.50
	H. Griffith	Judge	.50
	J. Vandigrift	"	.50
	Jno. S. Spann	Clerk	.50
(148)	James Swain	"	.50

Fourth Ward

	Thomas McClamrock	Inspector	.50
(139)	H. J. Burkhart	Judge	.50
(140)	J. W Burkhart	"	.50
	Bery McClure	Clerk	.50
(105)	Michael Shea	"	.50

Fifth Ward

	W. D.Wygant	Inspector	.50
	Benjamin Pilbean	Judge	.50
(347)	Emanuel Haugh	"	.50
(405)	N.N.Norwood	Clerk	.50
	John Sloan	"	.50

Sixth Ward

(476)	James Vanblaricum	Inspector	.50
	Jno.F. Ramsey	Judge	.50
	Silas Shoemaker	"	.50
	Nixon Hughes	Clerk	.50
	Royal Mayhew	"	.50

Seventh Ward

(513)	Samuel P. Daniels	Inspector	.50				
	J. B. Ferguson	Judge	.50	(514)	M. J. Fletcher	Clerk	.50
	Thomas Buchanan	"	.50		Isaac Davis	"	.50

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Secretarys report of the fiscal affairs, of the City Council of Indianapolis, for the fiscal year from 1. May 1849 to 30.April, 1850, both inclusive ----------

Receipts

From markets	268.50	
" licences for auctions exhibitions &c	290.00	
" school fund collections &c	2438.27	
" road " " "	425.00	
" general " " "	5487.54	
" mayors fines	89.84	
" Sales of hospital lots	290.00	
" costs on delinguent sales	38.55	9327 70
Balance in the treasury May 1, 1850 viz		
School fund	1981.95	
Road "	114.05	
Hospital "	19.36	
General "	26.36	2141 72
		$11469 42

Disbursments

For city orders redeemed	.4488.30		
" interest on same	95.48		
" school fund expenditures	1125.20		
" small pox tax refunded	661.21		
" street scrip redeemed	714.71		
" road orders "	470.02	7554.92	
Balance on hand this day viz			
School fund	3295.02		
Road "	69.03		
General "	357.10		
Hospital lot notes	193.35	3914.50	$11469 42

Operations of the General fund

Receipts-General fund on hand May 1, 1849	26.36		
Hospital " " "	19.36	45.72	
Collections General Tax 1849	5454.32		

	Delinquent tax 1848	33.22	
	Licenses for auctions	290.00	
	Markets	268.50	
	Mayors fines	89.84	
	Hospital lots	290.00	
	Cost on delinquent	38.55	6464.43	6510.15
Disbursments	General fund orders and judgments (illegible)		4488.30	
	Interest on the same		95.48	
	Street scrip redeemed		714.71	
	Small pox Tax refunded		661.21	
	Cash notes on hand		193.35	
	Cash on hand		357.10	6510 15

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Operations of the School fund

Receipts	School monday on hand May 1, 1849	1981.95	
	" Tax for 1849	2385.15	
	Delinquent tax for 1848	18.87	
	Recd of James Sulgrove	18.50	
	" " Wood & Noble	8.00	
	" " E. I. Peck	7.75	$4420 22
Disbursments	Paid for school lot in 5 Ward	500.00	
	" " " " " 6 "	500.00	
	Per. centage for collecting	125.20	
	Cash on hand	3295.02	$4420 22

Operations of the Road fund

Receipts-	Road money on hand May 1, 1849	114.05	
	Road tax for 1849	425.00	$ 539 05
Expenses	Road orders redeemed	448.77	
	Percentage for collecting	21.25	
		470.02	
	Cash on hand	69.03	$ 539.05

Miscellaneous indebtedness

City orders outstanding	2603.73	
Street scrip "	2189.49	
Allowances made on record, not issued upon	52.87	$4846.09

Page 242 Regular Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Oct 7th 1850

The Council Met. Present Messrs Landis, Rooker, Hetselgessen, Eckert, and Mr Cully President.

The Secretary had commenced the reading of the Minutes, when the alarm of fire was given, and the Council adjourned to meet on Monday evening the 14th inst.

Attest
Jos T. Roberts President

Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Oct 14th 1850

The minutes of the previus meetings were read and approved of.

The Street Commissioners Report was presented, read and approved of by the Council, and the following Claims specified therein allowed.

(108 & 9)	Allowed,	James Sullivan	for Labor	$ 5.00
(94)	" "	John Dismon	" "	5.00
(99)	" "	George Thomas	" "	10.00
(96 & 7)	" "	Patrick Griffin	" "	8.00
(143)	" "	Neal Gillan	" "	5.00
(97)	" "	Adam Irick	" "	5.00
(294)	" "	George Drum	" "	.75
(110)	" "	Henry Kabb	" "	4.25
(111)	" "	David Pigg	" "	1.00
(101 & 102)	" "	G. & C. Youngerman	" "	28.50
(228)	" "	Christian Bradymire	" "	1.00
(336)	" "	John Youngerman	" "	1.00

G Youngerman S. C

The following claims were presented seperately and allowed

(197)	Allowed,	Christian Brinkman for cleaning Council Chamber	$ 1.50
	" "	George Saucks for mending Grave yard fence &c	1.00

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(146 & 7)	Allowed,	Robt Greenfield for Lumber for East Market House	$16.25
(145)	" "	I. M. Sharp Depty Sheriff on fee bill	6.38

(100)	Allowed	Larry Kenneday	for Labor	$ 5.00
(143)	" "	Neal Gillan	" " on Streets & Alleys	5.00
(108 & 9)	" "	James Sullivan	" " " " " "	3.00
(93)	" "	Benjamin Pilbean	Removing Nuicenses	3.75
(142)	" "	Johne Patterson	" " " "	4.25
(223)	" "	William Beck	" " " "	1.00
(98)	" "	Cully & Walker	Lumber for E. Market House	11.04

The Bill presented by the Secretary for extra Services, was, on Motion, refered to Committee on claims.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys to whom was refered the order praying the Council to erect a new Bridge over the Canal on Market Street, Reported that they deem the erection of said Bridge unnescessary at this time.

A Remonstrance purporting to be signed by a majority of the property holders living on New York Street between Alabama & Noble Streets, Remonstrating against the grading and gravelling of said New York Street between the Streets aforesaid, was read, and on motion of Mr Mc Ouat was refered to committee of Streets and Alleys.

Ordered, That the Committee Streets and Alleys, contract for the grading and gravelling of Kentucky Avenue, to the lowest responsible bidder.

Ordered, That the City Commissioner proceed forthwith to make a gravel walk at the crossing of the different alleys and Streets on the side walks between Washington and New York Streets on Alabama Street, Also to erect foot bridges at the crossings of the Streets on said side walks where needed between said points, above named, The same to be paid out of the Road Fund of said Ward, Provided there is Road Fund sufficient for that purpose, and if there is not, the same to be paid out of the General Fund.

A petition signed by A Teal, Norwood & others, praying the Council to grade and gravel the Alleys, lying between Washington and Market Streets, and between Meridian & Illinois was Read, and on motion, was refered to Committee on Street and Alleys.

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A petition signed by Benson Cornelius, Samuel Merrill and some 20 others, praying the Council, to fix the width of Alabama Street between Merrill and McCarty Streets; also to establish the width of both sides walks on said Street between the Streets aforesaid, with the grade of said side walks, was Read, and on motion was refered to Committee on

Streets and Alleys.

The petition signed by T. M Phipps and some 60 others, praying the Council to make a gravel walk 12 feet wide along Market Street and at, and along the South side of East Market Square, and along the East side of said square so far as the public grade extends, was Read, and on Motion the following Order was adopted.

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner proceed forthwith to make a gravel walk of 12 feet wide and 6 inches deep along Market Street on the South side of East Market square, and also along the East side of said square, so far as the public grade extends.

Ordered, That Charles Mayer be authorized to erect upon Lot Number 5, in square No 3 in Harris's addition to Indianapolis: (it being in Out No 157) a building or Magazine for the Storrage of gun powder, the grant to be upon the same conditions as that given to Little, Drum & Andersons and others, as ordered at the Regular Meeting of the Council of the present year 1850, holden on Sept 2nd.

The Estimate of the City Engineer of the probbable Cost for grading and gravelling of Kentucky Avenue between Washington Street and the Canal Bridge was presented, Read, accepted and ordered to be placed on file.

The following Resolution was offered, and adopted.

Resolved, That the Secretary Report to the Council at its next meeting the amount of appropriations made for the two quarters, commencing with the fiscal year, including Salary of Officers; also that he Report at the expiration of each quarter hereafter in like manner.

The following Ordinance was presented and adopted, An ordinance to restrain Hogs or swine from running at large.

Sec. 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis

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That from and after the first day of January next, it shall be unlawful for hogs or swine of any description to run at large within the bounds of East, West, North and South Streets in said City.

Sec 2nd That from and after the time named, all hogs or swine, of every description found running at large within the bounds aforesaid, shall be taken up and impounded by the marshall; of which he shall give immediate notice in writing, set up at each Market House describing each hog, shote or pig so taken up and impounded; and if the owner or owners thereof do not appear in twenty four hours after the putting up of such Notice as aforesaid, and pay the expence of such taking up and impounding, then the Marshall shall sell the same to

defray such expence, returning the overplus, if any, to the owner or owners of said hog, shote or pig, if Known, otherwise he shall pay it to the City Treasurer.

Sec 3. The Marshall shall be allowed twenty five cents for his services in taking up and impounding each hog, shote or pig, where the same is claimed before sale, to be paid by the owner or owners of such hog, shote or pig, before the same shall be released; but in case of sale, the marshall shall be allowed the further sum of twelve and one half cents for ech hog, shote or pig offered for sale as aforesaid, to be retained out of the proceeds of the sale.

Ordained and established this 14th day of October A. D. 1850.

Attest David V. Cully President
Joseph T. Roberts Sectry.

Approved Oct 22nd 1850
Horatio C. Newcomb Mayor

The following Ordinance was presented and adopted.

An ordinance amendatory of the 5th Chapter of the revised ordinances, on the subject of the grade of Streets, and the improvement of side walks.

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis:
That whenever in the opinion of the Council it would be for the public good and convenence to grade, gravel or pave any Street, Alley, or side-

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or any part thereof, in said City, and the property holders owning lots or parts of Lots along the line of the Street Alley or side-walk needing improvement, as aforesaid, shall fail or refuse to petition the City Council asking for such improvements, then and in such case the City Council in their discretion, may order the improvement to be made in the same manner and under the like regulations as if the same was asked for by petition.

Sec 2. That in all cases of improvement made by order of the City Council, as Contemplated in the first section of this ordinance, owner or owners of a lot or Lots, or parts of a lot or Lots shall be subject to the same liabilities and have the same privilages as are allowed by the ordinance to which this is an amendment, except as hereinbefore changed; and all officers employed in carrying out the orders of the City Council, as to any Street, Alley or side walk or part thereof, shall observe & perform all the duties required of them by the ordinance to which this is an amendent, except as to the alterations hereby made necessary: Provided, the width and depth of gravelling on any Street, Alley or side walk may be raised to conform to the order of the

City Council, should any such be made in any particular case.

Sec 3. All ordinances or parts of Ordinances contravening this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

Ordained and established this 14th day of October A. D. 1850.

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Secty.

David V. Cully President
of City Council

Approved Oct 22nd 1850
Horatio C. Newcomb, Mayor

On Motion the Council adjourned

Attest
Joseph T. Roberts Secty.

D V Culley President

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Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Oct 28th/50

Council met, Present Messrs, Mc Ouat, Louden, Rooker, Hetselgesson, Eckert, Landis & Mr Cully President.

The following petitions were presented & Read, and the prayor of said petitioners, granted, Provided, said petitioners comply with the recquisitions of an Order passed by the Council at its meeting, on September 2nd 1850 in refference to the gutter on the North side of Washington Street between Illinois & Meridian Streets.

To the Honorable City Council of Indianapolis:

The undersigned property holders on the North side of Washington Street, between Illinois and Meridian Streets, would respectfully ask, that they be allowed the privilage of making and paving with round stone, a suitable gutter, and to gravel the space between the gutter and the McAdamized part of the Street, the same as is being done on the South Side of the Street, they paying for the same, and that they afterwards be allowed scrip in payment for Taxes, to the amount of said improvement

Signed

H. I. & B. C. Horn	16½ feet	N. B. Palmer	18 feet
I. H. Roll	15 "	for Minor heirs of Corson Vickers	
G. Norwood	30 "	D. Craighead	18 feet
I. L. Mothershead	16 "	S. W. Norris	36 "
Moses Johnson	20 "	H. Bates	35½ "
Fred Trucksess	15 "	E. R. Ames	20¼ "
H. Griffith	60 "		

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

The undersinged, owners of property on the South side of Washington Street, between Meridian and Pennsylvania Streets, respectfully petition the passage of an order directing the removal of the gutter from its present position on the Street to the side of the curb, that it be paved with Boulders if sufficient can be obtained, and that the space between the paved gutter and the grade of the National Road be covered with a sufficient thickness of coarse gravel and further, that said order be subject to the usual regulations when improvements are directed to be made by owners of property,
Indianapolis Oct 28th 1850.

Page 248 Signed

Yandes & Sharp	56 feet	Mrs E. Harris	20 feet
William Smith	18 " "	Danl Yandes for Washington Hall Comp	67½
R. Mayhew	28.10 " "	Winson 17½ feet by W. Smith	

To the Hon the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

The undersigned, owners of the property on the North side of Washington Street between Meridian and Pennsylvania Streets, pray your honorable body the passage of an ordinance directing the gutter of said side of Street to be removed to the Curb, and to be paved with boulders if enough can be obtained, and that the space between the curb and gutter and the National Road grade be covered with a sufficient thickness of coarse gravel, and further that the order be subject to the usual regulations where improvements are directed to be made by owners of property.

Signed

S. G. Patterson	8 ft 6 inches	Chars Garner	17 feet
I. P. Drake	57 "	S. A. Fletcher	28 "
S. D. Tomlinson	18 " 6 inches	David Yandes	28-3/4"
A Knodle	12 " 1½ "	Jas C John	17 "
T. M. Smith	20 "	I. N. Phipps	20 "
Wm Hannaman	25 "	D. S. Ward	18 " 2 inches

On Motion the following Resolutions was adopted.

Resolved, That the Marshall be directed to pruchase 5000 feet of 2 inch oak plank, square edged, 4000 of which is to be 12 feet long, and 1000 of which is to be 10 feet long, Also 300 feet leneal measure of 6 inch square oak scantlin. The Marshall to inspect and measure the same on delivery.

Resolved, That the sum of One Hundred dollars be appropriated to build a Bridge on Market Street across the canal.

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner open the gutter on the West side of Indiana Avenue, between Tennessee and Illinois Streets, and call upon the City Engineer to set the stakes for the same.

The Committee on Streets and alleys made the following Report.

Ordered, That the City Engineer be directed to establish a suitable grade for Alabama Street, South of Merrill Street, and that the side walks of said Street be

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fixed at 7½ feet wide from Merrill Street South.

Also the following order was passed.

Ordered, That the City Engineer be directed to make a survey and estimate of the amount of excavation and gravel needed in the alley between Meridian and Illinois Streets in square 55, said alley running East and West, and that the Street Commissioner be ordered to have the improvement made to cost no more than the estimate, said gravel to be not over six inches.

The resignation of William Wallace as City Attorney was presented, and accepted by the Council, and on motion, the Council proceeded to the election of a City Attorney to fill siaid vacancy, Whereupon after balloting, Abram A Hammond was declared duly elected, to fill said vacancy.

Allowed, William Wallace as fees for attorney $52.00

The Estimate of the City Engineer for paving the gutter and gravelling the North side of Washington Street, between Illinois and the Centre of Meridian Streets, was read, accepted and ordered to be placed on file.

On Motion the Council adjourned

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Sectry D. V. Culley President

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Nov 4th 1850

Council met, Present Messrs Louden, Eckert, Rooker, Landis and Mr Cully President.

The Treasurers Reports for September and October were presented, Read and approved of, Except so much as related to the Mayors fines, the amount being $20.

The Report of the Street Commissioner was Read and the following claims specified therein allowed.

(152)	Allowed,	Phillip Brown	for Labor	$1.00
	" "	Patrick Dunn	" "	1.25
(231)	" "	George Hannergan	" "	1.25
(312)	" "	C. & G. Youngerman	" "	3.12
(336)	" "	John Youngerman	" "	.50

Signed George Youngerman C. S.

The following Claims were presented and allowed.

(124)	Allowed,	Ellis & Spann for printing	$19.50
(215)	" "	Samuel Delzell	4.60
(198)	" "	Seaton W. Norris for Earth deliv in Wash Street	6.25
(141)	" "	J. W. Buckhart for windowm lights	7.12
(138)	" "	Nelson McCaw for Butchers blocks	12.00
(121)	" "	Elder & Harkness for printing	15.50
(122)	" "	Jacob Miller for Labor	3.50
(383)	" "	Vanblaricum & O Conner for Market Hooks &c	14.20

The Bill of Vanblaricum & Jones on motion was refered to the Committee on Claims.

The estimate of the City Engineer for the gravelling of Pennsylvania Street between Washington Street and Massachusetts Avenue was presented and Read, and ordered to be filed.

The following Resolution was on Motion, refered to the Committee on Streets.

Resolved, That the pavements between Meridian Street and the alley West, be ordered to be put down to the proper grade in front of the buildings of S. W. Norris at the Auction Room of Little Drum & Andersons, and the whole grade be put down to the plat of the

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City between said Street and alley.

On Motion the following Resolution was read and adopted.

Resolved, That the Mayor, H. C. Newcomb Esqr. and the late Treasurer James H. Kenneday be requested to make a satisfactory explanation to the Council in relation to a receipt given by said Kenneday to said Newcomb, dated Nov 12th 1849 for $20.60, and reported by the present Treasurer to the Council on Nov 4th 1850.

The following Resolution was read and adopted.

Resolved, That James Blake be permitted to postpone the making of his side walk on the South side of Washington Street, between Tennessee and Illinois Streets, util the first day of May 1851. Provided, said Blake makes a gravel walk on or before thirty days from this date. November 4th 1850.

Ordered, That the Lot owner or owners on the West side of Meridian Street, between Washington and Circle Streets, be and they are hereby required to grade and pave the side walk in front of their several Lots or Lots in the time and manner required by ordinance.

Ordered, That in case any lot owner or owners shall fail to grade and pave his or her side walk as aforesaid, a sum equal to the amount necessary to do the same by the City authority be and the same is hereby assessed upon such delinquent or delinquents, to be levied and collected as prescribed by ordinance.

Ordered, That the City Engineer make the necessary survey, estimates, and set stakes; and that the Street Commissioner see that the above order is carried into effect.

Ordered, That Pennsylvania Street from Washington to Ohio Streets, including the junction with Massachusetts Avenue, be gravelled with coarse gravel 16 feet wide, one foot deep in centre, and declining each way to 6 inches at the edges.

Ordered, That 30 feet in length of the gutter on the East side of Pennsylvania Street, at the junction of Massachusetts Avenue, be paved with boulders and gravelled, as on Washington Street.

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Ordered, That a sum equal to the estimate of the City Engineer, (herewith submitted) be assessed on the lot owners on each side of said Pennsylvania Street, in proportion to the number of feet held by each, to pay for the improvement contemplated above.

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner, under direction of the City Surveyor, carry out the objects of the above orders in 35 days.

Ordered, That, the lot owner or owners on the West side of Pennsylvania Street, from Washington Street, to the alley dividing Lots 4 & 5, in square 45, be and they are hereby required to grade and pave the side walk in front of their several lot or lots in the time and manner required by ordinance: Provided, that lot No 10, in square No 56, and that part of lot No 6, in said square, owned by Mrs Paxton, shall be excepted from this order, if conformadable to the grade.

Ordered, That the City Engineer make the necessary survey, estimates, and set stakes; and that the Street Commissioner see that the above order be carried into effect.

Ordered, further, That in case any lot owner or owners shall fail to grade and pave his or her side walk as aforesaid, a sum equal to the amount necessary to do the same by the City authority be and the same is hereby assessed upon such delinquent or delinquents, to be levied and collected as prescribed by ordinance.

On Motion the Council adjourned

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Secty. D. V. Culley President

Page 253 Regular Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Dec 2nd 1850

The Council met, Present, Messers Eckert, Louden, Rooker, McOuat Hetselgesaen, Landis & Mr Cully President.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved of by the Council.

The Treasurer's Report was presented, Read and accepted.

The explanation of the Mayor and the late Treasurer James H. Kenneday in reference to the sum of $20.00 reported by the Treasurer at the last meeting of the Council, proved satisfactory to the Council, and the Claim as Reported by the Treasurer allowed by said Council.

The Report of the Street Commissioner was presented, Read, and approved of by the Council, and the following claims specified therein allowed.

(204 & 5)	Allowed	George Heinergin	for Labor	$10.25
(201.2 & 3)	" "	Henry Stumpf	" "	14.75
(200)	" "	John Cook	" "	3.75
(167.168.169.170)	" "	G & C. Youngerman	" "	27.37
(268)	" "	I. P. Meichel	" "	1.00
(206)	" "	Charles Keith	" "	6.50
(218)	" "	John Youngerman	" "	4.25
(152)	" "	Phillip Brown	" "	4.00
(214)	" "	David Pigg	" "	1.00
(207.208.209.210.211)	" "	Bucksot & Sonefield	" "	54.15

Dec 2nd 1850 Signed George Youngerman
Street Commissioner

The following individual claims were severally allowed by the Council.

(384)	Allowed,	Vanbaricum & Jones for Hooks for Market House		$1.50
(165)	" "	Ben Pilbean Removing Nuicenses		5.00
(166)	" "	" " for wood for Council Chamber		2.00
	" "	John Childers for cleaning well &c		3.37½
(150)	" "	George W. Pitts repairing Bridge		8.00
(396)	" "	H. H. Brown for Printing		1.25
(213)	" "	Ellis & Spann " "		2.50
(217)	" "	Charles Youngerman	Labor	3.75

Ordered, That the Secretay issue Scrip to the property holders on Washington Street for the making and paving the gutter thereon, in

accordance with the Estimate of the City Enginer.

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The following orders were presented Read, and adopted.

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner erect two foot Bridges on New Jersey Street, and gravel a walk across Virginia Avenue, Also reconstruct the foot Bridges on Washington Street.

Ordered, That the Committee on the fire department put the Marion Engine and Hose in good repair, and the same be paid by the City Council.

Ordered, That the property holders on Washington Street on South side between Delaware and Alabama Streets grade and pave the same in accordance with the provisions of the ordinance on that subject.

Ordered, That the Secretary issue orders on the certificate of of the Committee on Streets and Alleys, on the work done on Kentucky Avenue.

The following Resolutions were presented, Read and adopted by the Council.

Resolved, That E. S. Alvord be authorised to make the side walk in front of his dwelling House, on Pennsylvania Street, in conformity with the present grade, and that the City Engineer set stakes for the same immediately.

Resolved, That the sum of forty dollars be appropriated towards erecting a foot Bridge across Pogues Run, on the South side of Washington Street.

Whereas, The said Rail Roads Companys have not complied with their agreement entered into with this City, in gravelling side walks, Streets and alleys and making the necessary crossings according to said agreement where said Roads crosses the several Streets in this City. Therefore Resolved, That the Marshall and Street Commissioner compel them to fulfil their agreement forthwith, and also compel them to remove the Water Station, and put the additions to the Delaware Street Bridge across Pogues Run.

Ordered, That the Secretary issue to Beck & Cofor Work done on Kentucky Avenue, the sum of $150.00.
(issued)

The motin to allow Johnathan Warren the sum of $20. was decided in the negative.

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The Committee to whom was refered the remonstrance of the property holders on New York Street between Noble and Alabama Streets against the grading and gravelling of said Street between the Streets aforesaid, made the following Report which was concured in by the Council.

Your Committee Report on said remonstrance as follows, upon examination, we find a majority of the Names on said remonstrance signed to the petition for the improvement of said Street, and therefore we think it improper to grant the prayor of the petitioner to the remonstrance.

Signed George McOuat
William Eckert
J. M. Landis

The following Report was Read and adopted.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of William Sheets and John D. Defreese in reference to lighting the City with gas, Report that in their opinion, the said applicants should have the exclusive right to light the City with gas for the term of ten years, and that the City Council shall not be under any obligations to purchase their apperatus at the expiration of said term.

Signed Wm Eckert
Geo McOuat
Saml Hetselgessen.

The estimate of the City Engineer for the filling at the ends of the Bridge across Pogues Run on Illinois Street was presented, Read and approved of by the Council, and the Committee on said Bridge made the following Report, which was concured in by the Council The Committee to whom was refered the Estimate of said Engineer, Report that they let the work to William Vail, at 11 cents per yard, and that the work has been done, and that the Secretary directed to issue orders for the amount, it being $89.$\frac{20}{100}$ which has been done.

Signed William Eckert
S. Hetselgessen

The estimate of the City Engineer for the grading and gravelling of Kentucky Avenue from Washington Street to the Canal Bridge, was approved of by the Council, and the Committee on said work made the following Report.

The Committee to

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whom was refered the work estimated by said Engineer - Report that they

have let the same to William Beck, B Cornelias & H. S. Adams, at the following rates Viz. 27 cents per yard for gravelling, and 12 cents per yard for the excavation, their written proposal is herewith presented.

Signed Wm Eckert
George McOuat
J M Landis

The Bill of George Youngerman with the certificate of the City Engineer for the filling of the side walk on Washington Street in front of Lots numbered 8 & 9 in Sqr No 52 owned by Siten Price and Co was presented and Read and ordered to be placed on file, said work as reported in said bill amounting to the sum of $107.$\frac{50}{100}$.

Order No 31 of this years issue, drawn in favor of John McCollum for the sum of $200.00 was ordered to be cancelled, and orders for smaller sums to be issued by the Secretary to said McCollum for said amount, which duty the President and Secretary has performed, in obediance to the request of said Council.

On Motion the Council adjourned to meet again on Friday evening next.

Attest
Jos T. Roberts D V Culley President

Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Dec 6th 1850

The council met pursuant to adjournment, and their not being a quorom present they adjourned

Attest
Jos T. Roberts D V Culley President

Page 257 Regular Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis January 6th 1851

The Council met, Present, Messrs McOuat, Hetselgessen, Louden, Landis, Rooker Eckert and Mr Cully President.

The minutes of the last meeting were Read, amended and adopted.

The Treasurer presented his Report which was Read & accepted by the Council.

The Report of the Street Commissioner was presented and read, and the following claims specified therein allowed, to wit.

(258)	Allowed,	Henry Stumpf	for Labor	$ 6.50
(247)	" "	Charles Hute	" "	1.50
(241 & 42)				
	" "	G.& C. Youngerman	" "	14.25
(309)	" "	John Koch	" "	.50
(356)	" "	Henry Kalb	" "	.50
(239)	" "	John Youngerman	" "	1.00
	" "	Anthony Lohman	" "	.66
(38.37)	" "	Frederick Sonefield	" "	1.58
(135)	" "	Charles Brinkman	for Nails	1.35
(262 to 267)				
	" "	John P. Meikel for Excavating Alley and gravelling the same		44.66

Signed George Youngerman S C

The following individual Claims were presented and allowed.
Allowed. James Wood. City Engineer for professional services $144.00

(244 & 45)			
	" "	W. L. & J F Wingate for Lumber	62.12
(490)	" "	John S. Watts for Rent for Engine House	10.00
(272)	" "	John B. Holmes for Lumber	11.16
(257)	" "	George W. Pitts for making foot Bridges	3.00

The Treasurer presented his resignation which was Read and accepted, and on motion, the Council proceeded to ballot for said officer to fill such vacancy, and on counting the ballots, James H. Kenneday having received the unanamous vote of the Council, was declared duly elected City Treasurer, to serve as such during the unexpired term of John S. Spann.

The Estimate of the City Engineer for the filling up of the said walk opposite Lot 1 in Square 52 belonging to Col Russell was accepted, and the Treasurer ordered to receipt to said Russell in full for the amount specified therein, it being $6.40.

On Motion, the Committee on Claims were directed to settle with the late Treasurer.

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The Committee on School Houses made the following Report.

That they have examined the several School Houses contracted to be built by the former Council, and find the same finished and completed in accordance with the specifications,(except the painting) which they consider incomplete and and in fact a botched piece of work.

They would therefore Recommend that the contracting builders be paid, the payment now due then on the same, reserving, say, Eighty Dollars out of the payment now due on account of the painting said Report was concured in by the Council.

Signed J. M. Landis
A. A. Louden
(The Committee) Geor McOuat
Samuel Hetselgessen

The Committee on Public wells made the following Report, which was also concured in by the Council.

The Committee on Public Wells beg leave to offer the following Report, The City Wells are all in very bad condition, (being almost dry.) and the pumps are in about the same situation.

Your Committee would therefore recommend that the same be put in good repair immediately, the same to be done under the supervision of the Committee on Public Wells.

Signed A. A. Louden
Saml Hetselgessen
Geo McOuat

The following Resolutions were presented and adopted.

Resolved, That a select Committee be appointed to draft an ordinance to regulate the occupation of the New School Houses, employment of Teachers and organization of Schools therein, to report at or before next regular meeting.

Resolved, That the Committee on Shcool Houses be authorised and directed to make contracts, by public letting, with some competant individual or individuals to construct suitable seats for the new school Houses, so as to fit them for use; and also to procure the necessary stoves and piping to warm the said School Houses, and report their proceedings herein to the Council.

Resolved, That the Secretary is authorised and directed to issue orders for the several amounts, to the several individuals as reported by the Street Commissioner in his Bill accompany'd with the Estimate of the

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City Engineer for the filling of the side walk of Lots No 8 & 9 in Block 52 on Washington Street belonging to Siten, Price and Company.

The following order was read and passed.

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner proceed to fill and grade the dirt thrown around the several School Houses and be paid therefore from the school Fund.

Signed J. M Landis

The following named persons with the amount annexed thereto where those engaged in filling up of the side walk opposite Lots 8 & 9 in Block 52 on Washington Street, belonging to Siten Price &c.

(242 & 3)	Allowed,	Patrick Duan	for 11½ days work on said property	$11.50
(260 & 61)	" "	George Hannergen	15½ " " " " "	15.50
(232 to 36)	" "	G.&C. Youngerman	31 with Horse & cart	38.75
(237 & 8)	" "	John Youngerman	10¼ days work	10.25
(273)	" "	William Sonefield	3½ 2 Horses & Wagon	7.00
(259)	" "	Henry Stumpf	7½ days work	7.50
(268)	" "	I. P. Meikel	12 " Horse & cart	15.00
(365)	" "	Phillip Brown	2 " work	2.00

Signed G. Youngerman C. S.

The Estimate of the City Engineer of the expense of grading and gravelling the alley between Illinois and Meridian Streets, was Read accepted and ordered to be filed, also the certificate of said Engineer certifying that Wm M. Beck &c have hauled & laid 568 Cubic yards of Gravel on Kentucky Avenue.

On Motion the Council adjourned
to Meet on Thursday Evening next.

Attest
Jos T. Roberts D V Culley President

Page 260 Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis January 9th 1851

Council met, Present, Messrs McOuat, Landis, Hetselgessen, Eckert and Mr President.

The Committee appointed to settle with John S. Spann the late Treasurer, made the following Report, which was accepted by the Council.

School Fund on hand	$1894.97
General Fund " "	193.35
Road Fund " "	281.53

There is due the late Treasurer for Collections on the delinquent

(249) list of 1849, on $41.83	$ 2.09
(250.1.2 & 3) General Fund of 1850 on $1,913.32	95.66
(254) School Fund on $1348.42	67.40
(255) Road Fund on $217.00	10.85

We the Committee appointed to settle with the late Treasurer, certify that we have examined the Books and accounts of his office, and certify that we find all correct. The above is a statement of the present situation of the various funds, (subject to the Treasurers per centage) at this date.

Signed Wm Eckert
J. M. Landis

The Treasurer elect, James H. Kenneday presented his bond which was accepted by the Council with the addition of the word "Moneys" inserted therein, was sworn into office, and entered upnn the discharge of the duties thereof.

(269) The Bill of Mr Evans amounting to the sum of $40.80/100 was presented to the Council and on motion the whole bill was rejected except so much as related to extra wall for one of the public school houses which later amounting to the sum of $10.00 was allowed.

The following resolution offered by Mr. McOuat, and adopted.

Resolved, That the Religious Society denominated the United Brethern be allowed the privilage of holding worship in the School House in Ward No 1, in the City of Indianapolis on Sabbath days and evenings, Provided, they keep the premises and House in good repair, and become respncible for any damage done thereto, and that the Council reserves the

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privilage of recinding or annulling this grant at any time hereafter, if they see proper so to do.

(404) Mr Hetselgessen moved that the sum of $4.00 be allowed to John McCollum as interest due him on a $200. order, which has been cancelled by the Council and smaller ones issued in lieu thereof which motion did not Prevail.

Mr Eckert, laid before the Council the Certificate of sale of Lot No 8. in square No 127, sold to J. M. W. Langsdale; said Lot belonging to the State, he moved that the amount of $1.55 be refunded to said Langsdale, and the Certificate cancelled, which motion prevailed.

Mr Eckert offered the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That all orders hereafter issued by the Secretary, shall be attested by the secretary and countersigned by the President and if not no attested and countersinged, the Treasurer is not authorised to receive them.

The Bill of Beck, Cornelius and Adans, signed by the City Engineer and Street Commissioner for work done on Kentucky Avenue, was presented, with the following Report from the Committee on Streets, which were severally approved of by the Council.

The Secretary of the City Council is hereby authorised to issue to William M. Beck, Benson Cornelius and H. F. Adams, City orders to the amount of $147.$\frac{14}{100}$, it appearing from the City Engineers estimate, that, that amount is due them, but nothing herein is to be considered as a release to them from finishing the Street as per contract, whenever the undersigned Committee order the same to be done.
dated January 20th 1851, and signed William Eckert
Geo McOuat

Committee on Streets

On Motion, The fine assessed against William Davis by the Mayor was remitted.

(248) Allowed John S. Spann the sum of $9.46 it being the amount over paid by him as late Treasurer.

On Motion of Mr Eckert, the Committee on Public Wells were instructed to fill up the well in front of the State Bank at the junction of Illinois Street and Kentucky Avenue, and dig an other in the nook opposite said

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Bank in said Avenue. On Motion the Secrety was ordered to issue an order

to the Contractors for the 3rd instalment due for buildin School Houses.

On Motion the Council adjourned

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Sectry D V Culley President

Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis January 31st 1850

The Council met, Present, Messrs Landis, Eckert, Louden Hetselgessen and Mr Cully President.

The object of the meeting was the consideration of Mr Lockwood's proposition to light the City with gas, and an ordinance presented by him granting him the privilage, And on Motion of Mr Eckert the subject was refered to a select Committee, said Committee was appointed by the President, and consists of the following named Councilman to.wit, Messrs Eckert, Landis and McOuat

A petition signed by N. Teal asking the Council to grant him the privilage of selling goods wares and merchandise at Auction within the limits of the City was read, and on motion of Mr Louden, the Council authorised the Secretary to issue a license to said Teal as Auctioneer for the term of one year.

On Motion the Council Adjnd

Attest
Jos T Roberts Secty D. V. Culley President

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Feb 3rd 1851

The Council Met, and the following named Members were present, Messrs Landis, Helselgessen, Eckert, Louden, McOuat, Rooker and Mr Cully President.

The minutes of the last meetings were read and adopted.

The Treasurers Report was read and approved of by the Council.

The Secretary made his quarterly report for the third quarter which was Read and ordered to be filed.

The Street Commissioner made his Report which was read, and the following Claims specified therein

(345 & 6)	Allowed,	George Harnengen	for	Labor	$11.25
(350)	" "	Henry Stumpf	"	"	7.00
(332)	" "	Charles Borcherding	"	"	3.50
(330)	" "	G. & C Youngerman	"	"	18.50
(370)	" "	Charles Hute	"	"	1.00
(351 & 2)	" "	William Cayler	"	"	7.50
(353)	" "	John Harman	"	"	8.75
(331)	" "	G & C. Youngerman	"	"	8.75
(410)	" "	David Pigg	"	"	3.00

Signed G. Youngerman S. Comm.

The following accounts were severally presented and allowed.

(357)	Allowed,	Hasselman Vinton & Co for Labor on wells	$10.00
(329)	" "	George Low for repairing wagon for Hook & Ladder Co	2.25
(395)	" "	Ross & Ray for Stationary	5.30
(354)	" "	A. A. Louden for Nails Line & Sement	2.50
(355)	" "	Ellis & Spann for Printing	3.50
(326.7 & 8)	" "	E. Cotting for digging well	33.37
(345 & 6)	" "	Pogue & Bowden	9.00
(341.&2)	" "	Benjamin Rupright	6.00
(333)	" "	George Youngerman	1.25
(403)	" "	H. Bacon for draft & Specifications for seats in Sc Houses	2.00
(347)	" "	Benjamin Pillbean for Removing Nuicenses	11.62
(402 & 5)	" "	Joseph T. Roberts for extra Services	14.00

The Committee on Claims made the followin Report.

The Committee to whom was refered the Claim of Doctor Quele for extra Services in making out the Tax Duplicate, Report that in consideration of the bungling manner in which the Assesment was made, the recommend the following allowance to be

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(336 & 7) made to Joshua Soule viz $30.00

The Committee on the Fire Department made the following Report, That they have had the Marion and Hose repaired and the cost thereof is as pr Bills accompanying this Report, amounting to the sum of $24.$\frac{75}{100}$ viz

(386) William Hannaman for Oils	$1.50
(339 & 40) G. W. & T Buchanan	6.00
(338) Thomas Buchanan for mending Hose	10.00
(357) Hasselman Vinton &c	7.00

The following Report from the Committee on School Houses was read and approved of by the Council.

The Committee on School Houses appointed to contract for the seating and desking the several Public School Houses in the City of Indianapolis; Report that they have contracted with Lockwood & Gentle for the same at the rate of One Dollar and fifty cents each seat.

The following petition was presented & Read, and on Motion was refered to the Committee on Streets.

The undersigned, owning the following property or Real Estate on Kentucky Avenue, request that an order may be granted authoriseing a completion of the grade on Said Avenue on both sides for two Squares South West of Washington Street, and that the same credits may be allowed us on taxes for the same, in proportion to the cost as has been done on Washington Street, and also that the side walks on each side of said Avenue, along said two Squares may be gravelled, or paved, as may suit the proprietors Individually

Signed		
State Bank by I. M. Ray Cash	121 feet	
I. H. Roll	64 "	
Masonic Hall by Wm Sheets	121 "	
Wm Sheets	92 "	
N. Bolton	83 "	
John Trucksses	38 "	
H. R. Gaston	58 "	
I. T. Rrances	180 "	
James Blake	180 "	
Butler & McOuat	83 "	5 inches

A petition signed by the colored population of this City praying the Council to make them an appropriation for the purpose of fencing in the ground laid off as the burial place for colored persons, after the reading

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of said petition, on Motion it was refered to the Committee on ways and means.

On motion the following Resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That from and after this 3rd day of February A. D. 1851. The Elections for City officers in Wards No 1, 3, 5 & 7 be held in the several Free School Houses in each of said Wards aforesaid in the City of Indianapolis.

Mr Cully presented the following preamble and Resolution for adoption.

Whereas, the Trustees of Roberts Chapple Methodist Episcopal Church have paid the sum of $18.$\frac{06}{100}$ for gravelling Pennsylvania Street in front of said church in pursuance of and order of this Council; and whereas said Church property is not subject to taxation and the trustees could not use the Scrip issued as in ordinary cases, therefore

(362 & 3) Resolved, That the said sum of $18.$\frac{06}{100}$ be allowed to said Trustees in City Orders, after the reading of which, on motion, adopted.

The proposition of Mr Lockwood for lighting the City with Gass, was taken up, and after considerable debate had thereon, was, on motion, refered back to the Committee, and Mr Cully added to said Committee.

Mr Sheets on behalf of the Masonic Hall Company, asked the privilage of the Council of laying down gas pipes through the Streets and alleys of this City. On motion, it was refered to same committee.

On motion of Mr Eckert, the Road Fund was transfered to the General Fund to be made part and parcel thereof.

Mr Cully Reported the following ordinance which was approved of by the Council.

An Ordinance on the Subject of Common Schools

Sec 1: Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis that for the purpose of organizing and sustaining public Schools in the houses recently erected, the City shall be divided into four districts, to conform in boundary as near as may may be to the districts laid off by the Turstees of Common Schools under the General Laws; That is to say, all the donation North of Washington & East of Meridian Streets, shall compose the first district; All of the donation North of Washington and West of Meridian Streets, shall

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compose the 2nd. district. All of the donation South of of Washington & West of Meridian Streets, shall compose the 3rd district, And all of the donation South of Washington and East of Meridian Streets shall compose the 4th district.

Sec 2. That the City Council shall directly after the taking effect of this ordinance and yearly thereafter in the Months of May, appoint three or more competent and discreet persons not exceeding five to each School district who shall be residents of the districts for which they are appointed as superintendants of the Public School,

Sec 3. That the said supertendants shall have the general control of the school in the district to Which they belong; and shall have power to appoint thachers - to determine upon their qualifications - to dismiss them at pleasure - to fix the terms of tuition - to limit the number of pupils And to make such by-laws, rules & regulations as they shall deem necessary to promote the object of common school instruction -

Sec. 4. That Said superentendents may make such arrangements with the trustees of Common Schools in the several districts, as shall enable such trustees to adopt the City School house under the General law of the State, in Which event the said trustees shall be associated With the superentendents hereby appointed, and the school thereaftor Conducted, as fare as applicable, according to the general law on that subject.

Sect 5 That Whenever the Said superintendents in any of the districts shall be unable to sustain a school in whole or in part free, then they shall rent or Otherwise appropriate their house, or may, in their opinion best promote Comon School education - using whatever means they may acquire from rents or otherwise for that purpose.

Sect. 6. Said superentendents shall visit the schools, in their several districts at least once in every month, to see how they are conducted and to examine the buildings, their condition & repair; and so soon as means can be procured they shall cause to lots to be enclosed with neat substantial fences, and the same to be set with a proper number of shade trees.

Sect. 7. Any person or persons injuring either of said school houses or the appurtenances thereto belonging, shall pay a sum equal to twice the amount of the injury done, at the discretion of the Mayor, to be recovered in an action of debt, for the use of said school.

Sec 8. The City Council shall from time to time fill such vacancies as may occur in the board of superintendents, in the several districts, by death, resignation, or otherwise; and shall have the power, in their discretion, to make removals in the board of superintendents of the districts and the same to fill at any time,

Sec 9. The provisions of this ordinance shall in no wise affect the original plan adopted by the Council, for building houses

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and organizing public Schools in each Ward, but the same shall be carried into operation With as little delay as the means applicable to that purpose shall justify.

Ordained and established this 3rd day of February A.D. 1851

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Secty D. V. Cully President

Approved Feby 5th 1851
Horatio C. Newcomb
Mayor

On Motion the Council adjourned
to meet again on Monday Evening followm

Attest
Jos T Roberts Secty D. V. Culley President

Page 268 Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Feb 10th 1851

Council met, Present Messrs McOuat, Landis, Eckert, Rooker, Hetselgessen, Louden and Mr Cully President.

The proceedings of the last meeting were Read and approved of.

The object of the meeting being the appointment of Superintendants for the Public Schools in the several districts in this City.

On Motion of Mr McOuat, Henry P. Coburn, S. V. B. Noel & John Wilkins were appointed Superintendants of the first districts.

On Motion of Mr Lauden, James M. Ray. Gov Jos A. Wright and Thomas McClamrock were appointed superintendants for the Second district.

On Motion of Mr Hetselgessen Dr John S. Mothershead, William D. Wygant, and Henry Davenport were appointed Superintendants for the third district.

On Motion of Mr Landis, Clavin Fletcher, Samuel Merrill and James Turner were appointed Superintendants for the fourth district

The following Claims on Motion were allowed

(359)	Allowed William Evans for washing & dubbing Hose M Engine	$6.50
(358)	" " John F. Hill for 14 loads of Gravel &c	6.50

A petition signed by Samuel Merrill and some dozen others, property holders, on Alabama Street, between McCarty and Merrill Streets, remonstrating against the Grade of the Street and side walks as now established by the Council on Said Street between the Streets aforenamed was Read, and on Motion refered to Committee on Streets and Alleys.

* A petition presented by Hervey Bates asking the permision of the Council to grant him the privilage of using 6 feet of the side walk on Illinois Street instead of 4, for the purpose of erecting Stone Steps to the building he is now about to erect on Said Street, was Read, and the following order passed.

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the House he now contemplates on erecting.

On Motion, John McCollum was allowed the sum of $2. as interest on the $200 order cancelled by the Council.

The Committee on Streets made the following Report, which was adopted.

The Committee to whom was refered the petition of Citizens of Indianapolis owning property on Kentucky Avenue, Report, that they have had the matter under consideration, and owing to the great amount of work done on that Street the present year; they deem it inexpediant at this time to order the improvement asked for, But at the same time if it is any accommodation to Mr Blake, he will be permitted to deposit his gravel on the sides of said Streets, Provided, he conforms to the established grade.

* Resolved, That the petition of H. Bates, asking for six feet of the side walk on the West side of Illinois Street for the purpose of giving him an Entrance to his contemplated building be allowed, say 20 feet long extending out from the East side of his said Lot six feet, Provided, he increases the width of the side walk along the East side of said Lot from Washington Street North to the alley 3 feet whenever so ordered by the Council.

The following Resolutions were Read and severally adopted.

(360) Resolved, That orders to the amount of thirty two dollars be Issued to G. W. Pitts for timber furnished for the Bridge across the Canal on Market Street, said amount to be deducted out of the appropriation made for said Bridge.

Resolved, That the Committee on Gass, Report an ordinance at the next meeting of the City Council.

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner is required to report what has been done with the 2 inch plank recently purchased for the use of the City.

On Motion the Council adjourned to meet
again on Monday Evening next

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Secty D. V. Culley President

Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Feb 17th 1851

Council met, Present Messrs McCuat,Eckert,Landis,Rooker,Hetselgessen and Mr.Cully President.

The object of the meeting being the consideration of the proposition of Mr.Lockwood and others to light this city with gass, which subject had been refered to a select Committee with instructions to Report an ordinance on the subject, and Mr.Cully one of the Members of said Committee in accordance with said instructions Reported an ordinance on the subject which was read, and after considerable debate had thereon, was refered back to said Committee with instructions to perfect the same and present it at the next Regular Meeting of the Council for their Consideration.

Mr.Eckert laid before the Council the Certificate of Sale of Lot No 9 in Out Block No 147, sold to George Youngerman, said Lot belonging to the State, He moved that the sum of $1.20/100 be refunded to said Youngerman and the Certificate cancelled, which motion prevailed.

(364) The Bill of Mr.Lockwood for seating the several Public School Houses in this City built by the Council was presented, and the sum of $252.00 was allowed him, it being the contract price.

The Committee on School Houses made the following Report, which was accepted.

That the desks are all finished satisfactory, and in accordance with the plan and specifications, therefor recommend the payment of the bill of the contractor, Except the price for making extra Benches amounting to the sum of $10.00 which we consider not in the Contract.

Signed Saml Hetselgessen
Geo McCuat
I.M.Landis

The following Resolution was presented, Read and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Public School Houses is hereby directed to furnish each School House erected by the City Council with one or more privies at their discretion, and the necessary fences, the same to be paid from the General fund of the

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City, and refunded from the School fund as soon as the same may be collected and in the hands of the City Treasurer.

The resignation of Mr Wygant as one of the Superintendants of the Public School in the 3rd district was read and accepted by the Council, and on Motion, Samuel McMillen was appointed to fill said vacancy.

On Motion the Council adjourned.

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Secty D V Culley President

Page 272 Regular Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis March 3d 1851

The Council met-present Messrs Landis, McOuat, Louden, Eckert, Hetselgesser, and Mr Cully, President. The minutes of the previous meeting were Read and approved of by the Council. The Treasurer presented his report which was read and accepted.

The Street Commissioner presented his report which was read and accepted, and the claim therein named allowed to wit

(393 & 4) To George Youngerman $10.62

The City Marshal presented his report in relation to the sale of hogs, which was read and accepted

The following accounts were severally presented and allowed to wit:

(387)	To Valentine Butsch	for Lime	$ .50
(533)	" I. K. Sharpe	for hauling gravel	2.80
(392)	" Ben. Pilbean	for wood	1.50
(385)	" John Pogue	for sinking wells	9.00
(425)	" Samuel Hetselgesser		17.70
(391)	" Elder & Harkness	Printing	12.50
(401)	" Charles Brinkmann	Nails	1.30

The Account of John Childers was referred to the Committee on Public Wells.

The claim of Geo . W. Pitts was referred to the Committee on claims.

Ordered That J. F. Wingate and brothers be authorised to grade and gravel the side walk on the East Side of New Jersey Street in front of Blocks No 80 and 81, and that the City Engineer be required to set the grade stakes therefor

On Motion of Mr Landis

Resolved That the City Treasurer be directed to give the publication of the Delinquent list to one of the papers selected by the Council to publish the City ordinances

The report of the Street Commissioner in relation to plank was read and approved of.

The following Petitions were presented, read and the prayer thereof granted.

"To the Officers and members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis

Gentlemen, Your petitioners ask the privilege

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of grading and gravelling the side walks on South Street between Alabama and New Jersey Streets - We therefore pray that your Honorable body will send us the City Surveyor to give us the proper grade, and set the stakes therefor

(Signed)	James Turner	197 ft		
	Charles Berg	50 "	Charles Schwier	25 ft
	Frederick Schowe	26 "	Jno. M. Kemper	195 "
	Frederick Qosling	67 "	Brademire	19 ~~22~~ 33
	Frederick	67	E Donnenburn	33½ "

To the Honorable the City Council of Indianapolis

The undersigned, Your petitioners, property holders on Tennessee Street, West side thereof, respectfully represent to your Honors, that they are desirous of improving the side walk on the west side of said street between Indiana Avenue and North Street - They therefore respectfully request that Your Honors will grant them the privilege of so improving said side walk and that the City Engineer set the stakes therefor in accordance with the provisions of the ordinance on that subject

(Signed)

William Railsback	44 ft	A. Lingenfelder	44 ft
M. Francis	44 "	D. Potts	195 ft
Elisha Eudaley	30 "	Thomas Rickards	39 "
Thomas McClamrack	44 "	Lydia Delavan	67½
Nicholas McCarty	67½ "	C Guclir	25 "

The petition of Robert R. Underhill in relation to vacating a certain alley therein named, was laid upon the table

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Colored population, presented the following report

To the President, and Members of the City Council
Gentlemen

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Colored population in relation to fencing their grave yard which belongs to said population, would say that it is inexpediant at this time, owing to the weather and the financial fund of the city

(Signed) Samuel Hetselgesser) Committee of
I. M. Landis) Ways and
A. A. Louden) Means

Which report was read and concurred in.

The following Ordinances were severally read and adopted.

Page 274 An Ordinance

To provide for lighting the City of Indianapolis with Gas.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis That Charles Cox, Nathan B. Palmer, Alfred Harrison, William Hannaman, and their associates, successors, heirs and assigns, acting under the name and style of the Indianapolis Gas Light and Coke Company, be and they are hereby invested with the exclusive privilege for the term of Fifteen Years, from the passage of this Ordinance, of using the Streets, lanes, alleys, and public grounds of said City, as it is now laid out, or may be hereafter laid out or enlarged for the purpose of laying down in said Street &c pipes for the conveyance of Gas in and through the said City for the use of said City and its inhabitants; Provided, That the said gas pipes shall not interfere with the drainage of said City, by the necessary construction of sewers, or other underground fixtures for the conveyance of water.

Section 2: That whenever the Company as aforesaid proposes to open any street, lane, alley &c for the purpose of laying down gas pipes, they shall give to the City Marshal three day's notice thereof, and shall not, during the progress of their work, unnecessarily obstruct the passage of such Street, lane or alley &c, and further they shall, within a reasonable time, repair such portion of any street, lane, or alley &c as they may have broken up, in such manner as shall be acceptable to the Street Commissioner,

Section 3. That in consideration of the privileges granted so the Company aforesaid, they shall furnish to the said city, upon the several streets lanes, alleys &c in and through which the leading mains may be laid for the purpose of supplying the citizens with gas, such quantity as may be required by the City Council for public lamps, at a price not exceeding what is now, or may be hereafter paid by the City of Cincinnati for gas light for similar purposes; and provided That for the quantity of light now produced throughout the year at each of the public lamps in Cincinnati, the specific sum shall not exceed twenty dollars, the lamp post, metres, and lamps being furnished, at the expense of the City

Section 4. That if the said City Council shall desire at any time to erect lamps at the engine houses, or other public buildings, or to light any street or alley, then the Company, as aforesaid, shall, for a fair compensation, paid by said Council, lay down in a reasonable time, the necessary pipes and fixtures as ordered by said Council, and the lamps thus erected shall be supplied by the Company aforesaid with gas, on the terms prescribed in the 3rd Section of this Ordinance; and the said lamps shall be subject to the same regulations as other public gas lamps; and the pipes thus laid down at the expense of the City shall not directly or indirectly, be used for furnishing gas to individual Citizens; nor shall other gas pipes be laid down within the portions of streets, lanes, alleys &c, occupied by the pipes of the City, until the whole amount expended for laying down the same shall have been refunded by the Company aforesaid.

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Section 5. That the privileges hereby granted are upon this condition; that the Company as aforesaid, do, on or before the first day of February 1853 complete their apparatus for generating gas, and lay down in connection therewith, Seven thousand feet of leading or main pipes for its conveyance and annually thereafter to extend the pipes as the demand for gas may justify them in so doing. A temporary failure on the part of the Company aforesaid to perform any of the conditions exacted of them in this Ordinance, when such failures are occasioned by accident, or untoward events shall not work a forfeiture of their privileges, provided such failure occasioned as aforesaid, be remedied or repaired within a reasonable time.

Section 6. That if any discovery or improvement be made in the preperation of gas from coal or other Material, either solid, or liquid, by which the cost of obtaining the same shall be materially diminished, and the same shall be adopted in the other principal cities of the Country, then in such case the Company aforesaid shall introduce and use such discovery or improvements in said City of Indianapolis and make such reduction in the price of gas sold as shall be proportionable to the saving affected by such discovery or improvement.

Section 7. That nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to prohibit the Masonic Hall Company from using gas for lighting said Hall, prepared by their own apparatus.

Section 8. It is expressly understood, that if the Compnay as aforesaid shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of the foregoing Ordinance, then and in such case, they shall forfeit all the previleges granted to them thereby; And the City Council reserve the right to repeal the same

Ordained and Established this 3rd day of March A. D. 1851

Joseph T. Roberts Secty David V Cully Pres

An Ordinance

Regulating the Opening of Markets

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis
That the Markets in the East, and West Markets houses shall continue to be held as at present until the first of May next, after which, they shall be opened during the summer one half hour before sunrise, any Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding

Ordained and Established this 3rd day of March 1851

Jos T. Roberts Sectr D. V. Cully Prest

The petition of the several fire Companies of this City praying the Council to grant them a sufficient sum of money equal to their incidental expences per year to be paid by said Council, was read, and on motion, was refered to the Committee on the fire department.

On motion the Council adjourned

Attest
Jos T. Robetts Secy D. V. Culley President

Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis March 2nd/51

Council met, present Messrs Eckert, Landis, Louden, Rooker, Hetselgesser, McOuat, & Mr Cully President.

The object of the meeting was the consideration of the payment of the 4th instalment for the building of the four Public School Houses in this City, when on motion of Mr Cully, the following Resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That the secretary issue an order on the Treasurer to William Evans, A Brouse & Thomas P. Cherry for the fourth and last instalment due them for building the City School Houses, so soon as said parties or their legal Representatives shall agree who shall draw the same, and in what proportion.

On Motion of Mr Rooker the following order was passed by the Council.

(276,77,78,79,80,81, & 82)
Ordered, That an order for the sum of $58. be Issued to George W. Pitts, which is in full of, and for building a Bridge across the Canal on Market Street, according to a contract made with the Councilman of the 4th Ward

The Committees on Streets and Alleys made the following Report which was appropossed of by the Council.

The Committee to whom was refered the remonstrance of certain Citizens owing property on Alabama Street south of Merrill Street, complaining of the grade fixed by the City Engineer, Report, that

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they have examined the Street accompained by the profile, and are of opinion that said Street ought to be graded whenever so done, according to the stakes as they are now set, and many of the persons who have signed the remonstrance, have concurred with the Committee, We therefor recommend that the grade of Alabama Street from Merrell Street to McCartys Street be established according to the accompainging profile.

Signed
Wm Eckert)
Geor McOuat) Committee on
J. M Landis) Streets

On Motion the Council adjourned

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Secty D. V. Culley President

Page 278 Regular Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis April 7, 1851

The Council met - Present Messrs McOuat, Hetselgesser, Eckert, Landis, and Culley, President

The proceedings of the last regular and Special meetings were read and adopted.

The Treasurers report was presented, read, and approved

The Report of the Commissioner of Streets, was presented, read and adopted, and the Several claims therein Specified allowed to wit

(434)	To George Heininger	19½ days work	$19.50
(56)	" John Dismann	9½ " "	9.50
(from 416 to 422)			
	" G & C. Youngerman		52.50
(454)	" Henry Urbel		2.25
(414)	" Patrick Grifft	6 days work	6.00

The Committee to whom was referred the claim of John P Childers, make the following report

Indianapolis April 7, 1851

Mr President

(440 & 41) Your Committee on Public Wells have examined the same, and find the pumps all in good order, and recommend the allowing of Mr John Childers bill to the amount of $73.35

Saml Hetselgesser)
Geo. McOuat) Committee

which report was read and concurred in and the Bill allowed

The estimats of the City Engineer for grading and gravelling the first alley north of Washington Street between Meridian and Pennsylvania Streets was presented and the following resolution in relation thereto adopted

Resolved That the Street Commissioner be required to let to the lowest responsible bidder the grading and gravelling the Alley North of Washington Street, between Meridian and Pennsylvania Streets, running in the rear of the Capital House, according to the Estimate of the City Engineer herewith submitted

The following petition was presented and the prayer thereof granted

To the City Council of the City of Indianapolis

The undersigned petitioners owning a major part of the lots and parts of Lots on the East side of Delaware Street between Massachusetts Avenue and North Street, represent that they desire that the side walk on the East side of said Delaware Street, between Massachusetts Avenue and North Street may be graded and gravelled, and that the proper steps may be taken by the City Council as soon as practicable, to authorise such improvement

Albert G. Porter	135 ft	J. B. Fitler	67½ ft
James Gentle	102 ft	Daniel Miller	33 ft

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Joseph McCord	208 10/12 ft	Hervey Brown	50 ft
Andrew Wallace	67½ "		

Ordered that the City Engineer set the stakes in accordance with the prayer of the foregoing petition

The following petition was presented, read, and the paryer thereof granted

We the undersigned petitioners living on Mississipi Street South of South Street on Block Thirteen (13) being desirous of grading our side walk on the East side of Mississippi Street respectfully ask the City Council to have the proper grade stakes set, and also to order the Street Commissioner to open the gutter from South Street South so as to drain awet place at the Corner of Mississippi & South Streets and your petitioners will ever pray &c

Samuel Hetselgesser	195 ft	Stephen McNabb	40½ ft
		Willis Arnold	40½

The Committee on Streets and Alleys presented the following report

April 7 1851

Whereas heretofore to wit: during the sitting of the former Council there was by order of said City Council a certain dangerous hole dug on East Street, making said Street in a manner impassable, Therefore!

Be it ordered That the Street Commissioner proceed to grade said Street between Ohio and New York Streets so as to make it passable- said improvement to be made under the direction of the Councilman of the first Ward - the expense of the same to be paid in City Orders on the Treasurer of the City of Indianapolis

The Committee on Streets and Alleys have examined the above named Streets and recommend the improvement therein asked

Wm Eckert) Committee
J. M. Landis) on
Geo. McOuat) Streets & Alleys

Which report was read and concurred in

The petitition of Jno L. Ketcham in relation to East Street, was read and referred to the Committee on Streets and Alleys

Ordered That Hervey Bates be directed to grade the alley adjoining Pat. Barretts property in the first ward in accordance with the order allowing said Bates to remove dirt from said Alley

The following Resolutions, were severally offered and adopted.

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Resolved

(436) That an addional allowance of Twenty dollars be made to Jacob Miller as a compensation for the Extra trouble he has had in consequence of Mischievous boys in the market Houses

Resolved

That in consequence of the worn and bad condition of the grade in the centre of Washington Street, the Central Plank road Company are called upon to put at least four inches of metal upon the same, inasmuch as they charge toll for the travel upon it, and the city Marshal is directed to notify the President of said Company of the passage of this order

Resolved

That at the ensueing election for city Officers, the vote be taken of the Citizens, whether they will pay a tax for fire engine purposes of 5 cents on the ($100) one hundred dollars or not

On motion of Mr Landis
Ordered That a Culvert be erected across Virginia Avenue at or near John Greer's brick yard, which is almost impassable - and by the erection of the Culvert it will make the Street passable and put said Street in good order so there can be no complaint whatever.

The following Accounts were severally presented and allowed

(433)	To J. H. Kennedy	for lead Block	$ .50
(424)	" Geo. W. Pitts	Labor	6.00
(Isue 28'53)	" Levi Comegys	hauling	1.75
(452)	" Wm Eckert	gravel	1.80
(488)	" Patrick Finn	"	6.00
(F.S. 25)	" S. V. B. Noel	"	16.55
(432)	" Morrison & Talbott	Stationery	3.62
(431)	" I. D. Defrees	" & printing pay to I. H. Kennedy	17.95

(427, 28 & 29)	To I. P. Meikel	gravel &c	$44.62
(423)	" Littel Hall	public wells-Labor	2.00
(189)	" John Thompson	"	2.00
(430)	" Charles Mayer	Stationery pay Kennedy	1.25
(455)	" Austin H. Brown	printing	1.00
(415)	" Neil Gillan	Labor	4.50

The claim of Mr Blake ($14.85) was referred to the Committee on wells

On motion, the following persons were appointed Inspectors of Elections in their several wards to wit

In the 1st Ward - David S. Beaty
" 2nd " Henry P. Coburn
" 3rd " William Railsback
" 4th " Thomas Eaglesfield

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In the 5th Ward Wm T. Wygant
" 6th " James Vanblaricum
" 7 " Samuel P. Daniels

The following is the ballance of the Street Commissioners Report not set forth in the preceeding pages of the last meeting

(427,28 & 29)	John P. Meikel	Labor	$15.30
(438)	James Kelley	"	2.00
(489)	Christ Coleman		1.00
(New S 8)	Christ Scheldmyer		1.00
(456 to 59)	George Belyer		.50
(456 to 59)	John Schab		.50
(New S. 17)	Nat Shinchecumt		.50
(255)	Joseph Lackey		1.25
(442)	Neil Gilland		10.00
(488)	Patrick Fin		2.90
	Conrad Gunner		1.00
	Charles Bugarding		.50

On Motion the Council adjourned

Attest Jos T. Roberts Secty President

Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis Apr-16th 1851

The Council Met, present Mrrs Louden, Rooker, Hetselgesser Eckert, Landis & Mr Cully President.

The following Petition was presented by Mr Louden from N B. Palmer and others,

To the Hon City Council of Indianapolis The undersigned property holders on the East side of Illinois Street, between Washington and Maryland Streets, being desireous of having the gutter on the East side of Illinois Street between the Streets aforesaid graded and paved with Bolders Rock, do hereby petition your Honorable body to cause the same to be surveyed, graded and paved as above suggested and charged up against said property fronting on Illinois Street, subject to the reimburstment by issue to them of Scrip agreeably to the ordinance in such cases provided.

Signed
N. B. Palmer 195 ft
James Greer 22 "

After the reading of said petition, on motion the prayor of the petitioners was granted, and the City Engineer directed to make the survey and set the stakes for the same, and the City Engineer to contract for the completion of the work.

A petition was presented, signed by Wilkins and others, and on motion refered to the Committee on claims

The following claims were

(453)	Allowed,	James Blake	$14.85
(issued)	"	John A Lockwood Building out Houses for S Houses &c	$128.00
(26)	"	A. M. Britton for Butchers Blocks &c	$ 4.50
(456 to 459)	"	Belser & Schab for excavation n End of P Run Bridge on Vir Avenue	$ 30.84

The Bill of Chapman & Spann for printing tax receipts for 1845, was refered to the Committee on claims, also the Bill of Mr Lockwood for Extra seats and desks for School Houses.

The following order was adopted
Ordered, that the property holders on both sides of Alabama Street between Washington & Maryland Streets grade and Gravel the side walks on both sides of said Street, and that the Engineer be required to give them the regular grade thereof

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On motion the following ordinance was adopted.

An Ordinance to appoint a general board of superintendants of City Schools

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis, that the superintendants of Public Schools heretofore appointed, together with the district trustees who have adopted, or may hereafter adopt the City School Houses as district School Houses, shall constitute a general board for the Superintendance of Public Schools; who shall organize as such, and appoint their own officers.

Sec 2. It shall be the duty of said board to designate what Books shall be used in Said Schools; to appoint examiners of all persons applying for stations as teachers in said Schools, and visitors of Schools; to designate the time when the quarterly and annual examinations thereof shall take place; and to make such rules and bye-laws as they may deem proper for their own government, and for the government of the said examiners and visitors, and also of the teachers and pupils of the Schools; Provided, that the selection of teachers and the direct oversight of the respective Schools shall be and remain in the superintendants of the respective districts

Ordained and established this 14th day of
April A D 1851, By order of the Council
on motion the Council adjourned

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Secty D. V. Culley President

Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis April 24, 1851

The Council Met - Present Messrs Rooker, Landis, Eckert - Hetselgesser, McOuat, and Cully, President.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The Report of the City Treasurer was presented, read and approved.

The annual Report of the City Treasurer was presented read , and approved.

The Committee on Streets prensed the following Report

"The Committee on Streets report that the bridge contracted to be built by John McCollum across Pogue's Run, on Virginia Avenue, has been completed according to contract, and they have recieved the same, and recommend that orders be issued to him to the amount of Two hundred and fifty dollars ($250.)

(478 to 484 inclusive)

Wm Eckert)
J M Sandes) Committee
Geo. McOuat)

which report was read and concurred in.

The Committee to whom was referred the Claim of John A. Lockwood, made the following report.

(477) "The undersigned Committee to whom was referred the Claim of John A. Lockwood of $10. for Extra Seats in School Houses, report, that upon examination of the plan for seating the same, they find the Claim in their opinion just, and recommend the allowance of the same

Geo. McOuat)
Andrew A. Louden) Committee

which report was read and concurred in.

The following Resolutions were severally offered and adopted

Resolved That Messrs Evans & Yandes be permitted to make a well in front of their property on Washington Street, west of Pennsylvania Street, provided they wall the same with brick in a substantial manner, said wall to be upon the side walk next the curb

Resolved That the City Engineer be directed to fix the grade of the gutters on Washington Street from Illinois Street west so as to drain the water from the west side of Illinois Street to the Canal, and set the stakes for the same

Resolved That the City Engineer be directed to fix the grade stakes on Maryland street between Delaware and Alabama Streets.

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Resolved That the Committee on Streets be directed to let the grading and gravelling of Kentucky Street from the Canal to the Grave Yard at not more than the Engineers Estimate, the same to be paid in orders on the City Treasurer

(485 & 86) Resolved That John McCollum be allowed $10.00 extra for sinking the sills of the Bridge just erected across Pogues Run on Virginia Avenue some two feet lower than the point named in the contract.

On Motion of Mr Hetselgesser, George Espy was appointed inspector of the Election in the 5th Ward, Vice W. D. Wygant resigned.

On Motion The Bill of Matthew Little filling the Mud hole in New Jersey Street, between Washington & Market Streets, was taken up - Mr Landis moved that the Bill be allowed, which motion did not prevail.

The following Accounts were severally presented examined and allowed To wit:

(491)	To Chapman & Spann	Blanks	$8.75
(38 43)	" John Cooper	Repr of Fire engine	5.50
(10)	" William Vail	Hauling brick for pub. well	1.50
(55 & 56)	" E. Cudlen	Cleaning Pub. Well	5.00
	" Robert Greenfield	Lumber	7.50

The Petition of John Wilkens and Henry Tutwiler, Executors of the last will and Testament of Thomas P. Cherry deceased, in relation to scrip was read - and upon motion

Ordered That the Secretary of the City Council issue to John Wilkens and Henry Tutwiler, Executors of Thomas P. Cherry deceased, Street Scrip for the sum of Five dollars and thirty six cents, in accordance with the prayer of said petition.

And the Council adjourned.

D V Culley, Prest

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Page 287 Special Meeting

Council Chamber
Indianapolis April 30th 1851

The Councilmen Elected (excepting Mr Louden) on Saturday the 26th day of April A. D. 1851 in pursuance of the charter of the City of Indianapolis, met at the Council Chamber in said City on Wensday the 30th day of April 1851 and presented their their credentials with the oath of Office endorsed thereon and took their seats as follows.

From the 1st Ward	George Durham
" " 2nd " "	David V. Cully
" " 3rd " "	
" " 4th " "	George W. Pitts
" " 5th " "	Nathan Edwards
" " 6th " "	Charles Woodard
" " 7th " "	Thomas Buchanan

The Council was then called to order, and on motion they proceeded to Elect a President. Messrs Woodard and Buchanan appointed Tellers, and on counting the votes for said officer on the first ballot, David V. Cully received 5 votes and Charles Woodard 1 vote, David V. Cully having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected President of the City Council for the term of one year, and until his successor is elected and qualified

Mr Louden being absent on account of sickness, on motion, the election of the other officers was postponed.

Mr Woodard presented the petition of the Fakir praying the Council to reduce his License, after the reading of which, on motion it was laid on the the table.

Mr Woodard moved that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the expediency of adopting the County assessment as the assesment for the City, which motion was adopted, and Messrs Woodard, Edwards & Pitts were appointed said Committee.

On Motion the Council adjourned
to meet on Saturday next the 3rd day of
May at 2 Oclock P. M.

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Secty D V Culley President

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Council Chamber
Indianapolis May 3, 1851

Council met - Present Messrs Louden, Pitts, Durham, Woodward, Buchanan, Edwards, & Mr Cully President. *

The object of the meeting being the election of the several officers of the city council, on motion of Mr Louden the council proceeded to ballot for secretary, Durham & Buchanan acting as tellers - Dan B. Cully, was elected

On motion of Mr Woodard the council proceeded to the election of treasurer, Edwards & Pitts acting as tellers - A. F. Shortridge was elected

On motion of Mr Pitts the council proceeded to the election of Marshal, Woodward & Buchanan acting as tellers - Simms A. Colly was elected

On motion the council proceeded to the election of Street Commissioner, Edwards & Durham acting as tellers - Jos Butch was elected

On motion of Mr Loudon the council proceeded to the election of City engineer, Buchanan & Woodard acting as tellers - James Wood was elected

On motion of Mr Woodard the council proceeded to the election of city Attorney, Durham & Pitts acting as tellers - A. G. Porter was elected

On motion the council proceeded to the election of market master for the west market Woodward & Buchanan acting as tellers - Jacob Miller was elected

On motion council proceeded to the election of Market master for the east market - Durham & Buchanan acting as tellers - Jacob Miller was elected

On motion council proceeded to the election of sexton for public grave yard - Edwards & Pitts acting as tellers - Philip Socks was elected

On motion the council proceeded to the election of a weigh master. Buchanan & Woodward acting as tellers - Adam Haugh was elected

The committe to whom was refered the subject of adopting assessment of the county assesor, made the following report - viz -

Mr. President

The committe appointed to take into consideration the expediancy of adopting the county assessment for city purposes, would report that they have considered the case, & came to the following conclusions -

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* Mr A. A. Louden of the 3rd Ward presented his credentials and took his seat

1st

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1st The tax on dogs would be lost by adopting the county assessment
2nd The tax list would have to be made upon the appraisment of real estate made 5 years since as the new assessment will not be returned in time
3rd The difficulty in making the distinction between property lying in the city and out of it, owned by the same person.

Your committe would therefore recommond that an assessor be elected, but as the county assessor has just been over the ground and made a very full assessment, would recommend to the council to elect the same person for city assessor as is now discharging the duties of county assessor

Respectfully submitted
C. Woodard
Geo. W. Pitts
Nathan Edwards

On motion of Mr Loudon, the report was concured in,excepting that portion that recommends the appointment of county assessor

On motion the council adjourned to meet at 7. o clock P. M. on Monday next

Attest
Jos T. Roberts Secty D V Culley Prest

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Council Chamber
May 5th 1851

The Council convened. Present a full Council.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

The Secretary elect presented his bond, approved of by the Council, took oath of office, and entered upon the immediate discharge of his duties.

Simms A Colley, the Marshal elect presented bond approved of, sworn into office, and entered upon the discharge of his dutes.

Jos Butch Street Commissioner elect presented bond approved of, and having been sworn into office proceded to the performance of his duty.

Jas Kennedy, Treasurer, made report, read and approved
(from his book but never copied)

-Youngerman, Street Commissioner, made the followmig report:-
For labor performed by order of the City Council

In first Ward	on East Street		$ 56.00
" Second Ward	for hauling gravel	$ 5.00	
" " "	" grading & graveling	47.02	52.02
" third "	" hauling gravel	19.55	
" " "	" grading	36.87	56.42
" fifth "	" cleaning ditch on Washington St.	2 00	0.00
" " "	" Making new ditch on Mississippi St	12.50	14.50
" Seventh "	" " ditch on South St.	6.50	
" " "	" " Culvert	9.50	
" " "	" Labor on Pogue's Run Bridge	14.58	30.58
	" with the Engineer		1.00
			$210.52

Warrants issue to:-

(7)	Charles Schildmer	11 days Labor	11.00
(1,2,& 3)	George Heinenger	17½ " "	17.50
(31,32.& 33)	Henry Stump	15 " "	15.00
(12 to 14)	G. & C. Youngerman	31 " " horse & cart	38.75
(4)	John Koeher	9½ " "	9.50
(5 & 6)	Gotlieb Koeher	9 " "	9.00
(15)	John P. Michael	hauling 50 loads gravel.	5.00
(3S 27)	Frederick Stonefret)	" stone 1.33	
(3S 27)	" ")	" Timber, etc 50	1.83
(20 to 24)	Dennis Sullivan,	grading and graveling Alley	47.02
(28)	A A Louden	hauling gravel	19 55

(9)	W. Vale)	$21\frac{1}{2}$ days labor	21.50	
(11)	" ")	Horse & cart $12\frac{1}{4}$ days work	15.37	$36 87
(16)	Charles Youngerman	Blacksmith work		1 20
				212.22

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The President announced the following standing Committees
On Claims.- Messrs Pitts, Edwards, & Louden
" Fire Department. Messrs Edwards, Woodward & Buchanan.
" Public Wells- Messrs Louden, Durham, & Edwards.
" Markets. Messrs Durham, Woodward, & Pitts.
" Streets, Alleys, bridges, etc. Messrs Woodward, Buchanan and Edwards.
" Ways & Means. Messrs Buchanan, Louden, & Durham.

Accounts Presented.

(35)	By Mr Pilbean, marshal:	For removing nuisances,	$5.25	
(39)	By Jno Aldredge,	For hauling lumber	2.50	
(88)	By Jas Anderson,	For $1\frac{1}{2}$ days work on Market House	1.50	
(49)	By Philip Locks,	For $1\frac{1}{2}$ days work on Market House	1.50	
(29)	By A. A. Louden	For Hauling Gravel.	1.05	
(40)	By George Staats	For Painting Blackboard for 2nd Dis. School house	1.25	13.05

All of which were allowed.

By O. Rice
(Allowed May 13) To putting in pump, etc. on Washington St. 19.00

Referred to Com. on claims.

Resolutions presented and adopted

By Mr. Woodward:

Resolved, That the Marshal cause the houses now obstructing Washington Street to be removed within four days or that he remove them at the expense of the owners.

By Mr. Woodward.

Resolved, That the committee on streets and alleys by authorized to contract with I. M. Landis to place the gravel he takes from his cellar on South Street.

By Mr Louden:

Resolved, that so much of the minutes of the preceding meeting as relates to the Engineer letting the paving of the gutter

on Illinois Street on East side thereof he so amended that it shall be the duty of the Street commissioner to let the same, and see that said work be completed according to contract.

And the St. Com. contract with I. P. Michael was confirmed.

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Petitions:

On motion by Mr. Woodward

The petition of Messrs Palmer and Ramsey was taken from the table, and on motion, the prayer of the petitioners was not granted.

The petition of A Graydon and others for permission to pave and gravel before their property was read as follows:

Indianapolis April 29, 1851

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis,

The Subscriber & owners of lots on the East side of Pennsylvania Street, between Michigan and Vermont Streets, pray the Common Council for the privilege of grading and graveling or paving our sidewalks, and respectfully request that they direct the engineer to set stakes as soon as convenient.

And we will ever pray &c

A. Graydon,	owner of	67½	feet
Geo. Lowe	" "	57	"
R I Gatling	" "	67½	"
R. N Patterson	" "	67½	"
Newell	" "	67½	"

On motion

The Prayer of Said Petitioners was granted.

On motion by Mr. Woodward.

The Council Proceded to elect two newspapers of the City in which to publish ordinances etc. The Statesman and Locomotive were so elected

On motion by Mr Woodward,

The Council proceded to the election of an assessor, which resulted on the first ballot in the election of Vanlaningham.

Mr Pitts moved That the pay of the Market Master be increased $50.00 for the ensuing year.

The yeas & nays being demanded they were taken as follows:

Yeas - Mr Pitts

Noes - Messrs Durham, Edwards, Buchanan Loudan Woodward, & Mr President - 6

On motion by Mr Buchanan.

Mr Andrew Heiner was appointed Messenger to the Marion Fire Company

On motion by Mr Woodward.

A Committee of three were appointed to settle with the late Treasurer, and report at next meeting. Woodward, Pittes & Mr President were appointed said Committee & Adjourned

Attest D. B. Culley, Secy David V Culley Prest

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Council Chamber
Saturday evening, May 10th 1851

The Council met upon a call of the President all present save Mr. Louden.

The minutes of preceding meeting read and approved

The bond of A. F. Shortridge Treasurer elect, was presented and being read, was thought by City Attorney not sufficiently full was, by, request of Mr Shortridge, withdrawn.

Lemuel Vanlaningham, assessor elect, presented his bond for the acceptance of the Council, which was read and approved.

M. C. Fletcher and Wm L Wingate Superintendants of the 4th District Free School by permission called the attention of the Council to some improvements necessary to be made of the lot on which is located the School house for said district.

On motion by Mr. Buchanan

A committee of three, consisting of Messrs Buchanan, Woodward, & Edwards, was appointed to inquire into the matter presented by Messrs. Fletcher & Wingate

Remonstrance & Petitions presented

By Mr. Woodward the following petition:

To the Honorable Council of the City of Indianapolis:

The undersigned, property holders on Illinois Street, east side between Washington and Mary land Streets, respectfully represents to your honorable body that it would be a great convenience to have the sidewalk on said section of Street widened to fifteen feet.

Your petitioners therefore pray your honorable body, to order said sidewalks to be so extended and paved; and, also, that the City Enjineer be directed to survey and Stake off for the gutter recently ordered to be paved with boulders along said Sidewalk to be so laid off and constructed as to permit said sidewalk to be extended to 15 feet in width.

Very Respectfully Submitted.

N. B. Palmer, owner 195 feet.
I. F. Ramsey "

The undersigned property holders on east side Illinois Street be-

tween Maryland & Louisiana Streets deeming the extension of the sidewalk as petitioned for within, to be of great public advantage, do respectfully pray the City Council to order, generally, that the sidewalk on East side Illinois St. from Washington Street to Union Railroad track be established at fifteen feet in width.

M. Morris
I. F Ramsey
N. B. Palmer 195 feet
I. S. Mothershead
A. W. Morris 210 ft

Which was read and the prayers of the petitioners granted. & the following Resolution adopted.

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Resolved. That the owners of property on the East side of Illinois Street between Washington and Louisiana Streets have the privilege of extending the width of the pavement on front of their property to fifteen feet at their own expense, and that the City shall in no case be liable for any expense of widening said pavement.

Provided, That if the present contractor refuse to grade and pave the gutter on said Street at the present contract price the Street Commissioner be directed to let the same as far South as Maryland Street, to the lowest responsible bidder; all the above work to be done under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

By Woodward,

The petition of A. Graydon and others as follows:

To the Council of the City of Indianapolis: Gentlemen:

Feeling the importance of having the Streets in our thriving City put in good order, and being willing to pay our proper proportion of the expense We respectfully ask you to take the necessary measures to grade and gravel Pennsylvania Street between Ohio & Michjan Streets to connect with the improvements made South of Ohio.

Respectfully Yours,

A. Graydon
Geo. Lowe
R. Curran
L. S. Newell
Danl Yandes
R. M. Patterson
R. R. Underhill
John W. Holland
R. I. Gatling

A remonstrance being presented against grading at present from Jno. H. Bradley & others because of the grade of the Street, the following resolution was presented and adopted; and the petition and remonstrance referred to the Committee on Streets, Alleys, etc.

Resolved, That the City Engineer be requested to report to the Council at an early day whither the grade established by him on Pennsylvania Street between Michigan and Market Streets can be changed so as to make it uniform in descent between the points aforesaid.

(Mayor) Mayor Newcomb requested the Council to direct their Secretary

to procure rooms for the Mayor's office, Treasurer & Secretary:
The Subject was referred to committee on Ways & Means-

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The communication towit was read:

Saturday, Indpls May 10th 1851

Gentlemen of the City Council:

By request of a number of Citizens interested I have undertaken to make out a complete map of the City with all the additions, subdivisions, & alterations up to present date, and to enable me to do this as speedily as possible, I ask of you the privilege of using the map hanging up in your rooms which I made out several years ago. Whenever the map may be wanted by the Council the Clerk can get it by calling at my office. Are you willing that I should take it and use it, with the assurance on my part that it shall not be injured, and if it is, another perfect copy shall be furnished in its place.

Respectfully &c

L. Munsell.

The prayor, on motion, of the communication was granted.

The Secretary made the following statement towit:
To the City Council:

Your Secretary would respectfully State that he has received the books and papers pertaining to his office, and upon examination of the ordinance Art 2, Sec 2, governing the City find it to be the duty of the Secretary to "notify and attend all meetings of the council and record their proceedings; keep the proper account books pertaining to his office, record all ordinances in a book provided for that purpose, etc, But upon examination of the Day Book & Ledger find no entry since ending Financial Year 1849. and no ordinance has been recorded under the new charter. A Secretarys Report should have been presented at last regular meeting by the late incubent, but has not been handed me, and am of opinion none has been made. The Council can take whatever action they may choose.

D B Culley, Sec'y

Resolution Presented and adopted.

By Mr Pitts: Resolved By the City Council of Indianapolis, That as the Lafayette Railroad Company are now prosecuting their work through the City and disregarding the established grades of the same, that the Marshal forthwith notify the President of said company or their acting officers, hereafter to comply strictly to the grades of the City as established by the City Eenjineer.

By Mr. Woodward,

Resolved. That I. T. Roberts, late Secretary of City Council be required to report to the

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City Council how many lots belonging to the City have been sold by him, and what disposition has been made of the money & notes received by him for the same, & if still in his possession pay the same over to the Secretary immediately,and that the Secretary present Mr Roberts an attested copy of this Resolution.

By -

Resolved. That the Secretary proceed to the posting, and arranging of the books, in his office immediately to enable him to make a report of the financial affairs of the City at next meeting.

And, on motion

Adjourned

Attest: D. B Culley Secy David V Culley Prest

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Council Chamber
Indianapolis May 13th 1851

Council met present.

Messrs, Louden, Edwards, Woodward, Pitts, & President, Mr Culley.

Mr Louden presented the bond of A. F. Shortridge, Treasurer elect; read and approved and having taken oath of office entered upon the discharge of his duties.

Mr. Woodward, from committee appointed to settle with Jas. H. Kennedy, late Treasurer, made the following report.

"The undersigned, a committee appointed by the City Council of the City of Indianapolis to Settle with James H. Kennedy late City Treasurer have attended to that duty & find in his hands, the following sums, towit:

Amount of School fund on hand	$217.78
" " General Fund " "	7.43
" " Hospital Notes " "	113.33
Cash received of Jacob Miller for Market rents	196 92
" " on Hospital Notes, Principal	12 59
" " " " " Interest	5 20
Sum Total - - -	$551.25

Which amounts he has paid over to your committee & for which they have given him a receipt, Also,

All the books & papers belonging to his office, which are in the hands of your committee, and all ready to be handed to the new City Treasurer.

Respectfully Submitted.

C. Woodward)
George W. Pitts)Committee
D. V. Culley)

The committee on claims made the following report:
(34) The committee, to whom was referred the claim of Oliver Rice, would report that in our opinion the claim is correct and Should be allowed. May 13th 1851 George W. Pitts) Com.
A. A. Louden) on
N. Edwards.) Claims

= $19.00. The account was allowed.

The City Engineer made the following report:
"Having been notified of the adoption of the following resolution, by the City Council, May 10, 1851. - "That the City Engineer be requested to report to the City Council at an early day whether the grade established by him on Pennsylvania Street, between Michigan and Market Street can be changed so as to make it uniform in descent between the points aforesaid."

The undersigned respectfully reports to the City Council that not only this part of Pennsylvania Street, but a similar portion of any other Street, but the city could be changed so as to make it uniform in descent. If Pennsylvania Street is changed

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So as to make it uniform in descent, it will not only affect that part of it between Market and Ohio Streets already graded and graveled but will materially affect all cross Streets intersecting it. The excavation on Ohio Street between Meridian and Delaware Streets will be increased 1026 Cubic Yards; the grading and graveling of Massachusetts Avenue will have to be remodeled; the excavation on New York Street between Meridian & Pennsylvania Streets will be increased 513 cubic yards; and the excavation on Vermont Street between Pennsylvania and Meridian Streets will be increased about 500 yards; the excavation on Michigan Street between Meridian and Delaware Streets will be diminished about 1000 yards; but as the filling in the low ground on Pennsylvania Street north of Mr. Wards' house will be increased by the contemplated change of grade, and as North Street will require all the earth provided in the City Profile conveniently Situated thereto, the dimination of excavation of Michigan Street would therefore be no advantage, but a loss to the city, as earth would have to be carried from a greater distance to supply its place.

The undersigned begs to remark that if the change of grade on Pennsylvania Street would, in his opinion, benefit the city generally, he would not have the least hesitancy in recommending its adoption, but as it will be attended with considerable additional expense, and will not improve the drainage of the City he respectfully advices the Council to adhere to the established grade.

Indianapolis May 13, 1851 James Wood, City Engineer

Which was referred to committee on Streets, Alleys, etc.

Mr Louden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Engineer be, and he is hereby directed and ordered, to change the grade marks, and present grade lines of Pennsylvania Street, from Vermont Street to Market Street, so as to make a regular and Straight grade line for said Pennsylvania Streets between said points, commencing at such an altitude in Vermont Street as will from the natural surface of the neighboring Streets, best form drainage, and terminating at the present grade mark of Market Street, and that the Committee on Streets, be directed tofix said commencing point.

Referred to the Committee on Streets, alleys, etc.

(53) On motion by Mr. Louden, Order No 329 was re-issued to George Lowe, for the sum of $2.25. (former issue Feby 3rd 1851)

Mr Louden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Assistant Marshal shall be appointed in the manner prescribed by section 9th of the City Council who shall act under the orders and direction of the Marshal, and in the absence or temporary disability of the latter shall perform all the duties and possess all the authority incident to said office; and in all cases any act done by said assistant marshal shall have the same effect

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and effect as if done by the chief Marshal, and he shall give bond and be qualified in like manner.

The compensation of said assistant marshal shall not be a charge on the City Treasurey, but shall be such sum as the Marshall may agree to pay him for his services.

On motion, Referred to select committee consisting of Messrs Louden, Pitts, & Edwards.

Mr. Louden presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That Peter Wamaker be permitted to peddle oranges and fruits for the term of three months, he paying into the Treasury the sum of $5.00

Adopted.

On Motion by Mr. Woodward.

The Mayor of the City and the City Attorney were directed to present to the City Council a revised collection of the ordinances for the government of the City, and report as soon as practicable.

The following acpts was presented:

"The City Council to Wm Evans

"To one well in 7th Ward	12 30
" " " " 3rd "	18 50
	$30.80

Referred to com. on claims.

On Motion

Adjourned

Attest: D. B. Culley, Sec'y David V Culley Prest

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Council Chamber May 22, 1850

The Council met upon a call of the President
Present - A full Council.

The President announced the object of the meeting; when Mr. Louden presented the following preamble and resolutions for adoption:

Whereas, Intelligence has been received that his excellency Gov. Wood of the State of Ohio will pay a visit to the City of Indianapolis: therefore

Be it resolved, That the City Council of the City of Indianapolis hereby tender to Gov. Wood, the hospitality of the City during his stay among us, and that we will attend in a body, with the Mayor and receive the Governer on his arrival.

Resolved farther, That Messrs. Louden, Woodward & Edwards be appointed a committee to make the necessary arrangements to carry into effect the foregoing resolution.

Which was read and anaminously adopted.

Mr Edwards offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Engineer report to the Council whether it is advisable & practicable to change the course of the water on each side of Washington Street from Illinois to the canal, and what has, if any, been done under an order of this Council directing a Change in the grade of the gutters on said Washington Street between the points aforesaid."

Adopted David V Culley Prest

There being no further business before the Council,
On Motion

Adjourned Daniel P. Culley
Sec'y

City Council Chamber
June 2d 1851

Council met. Present a full Council.
Proceedings of former meeting read and approved.

The Street Commissioner made the following report:
"The undersigned Street Commissioner makes the following report for work and labor performed by the following named persons on the corporation:

(45)	To Pat. Griffith,	To repairing bridge on Maryland Street ½ day	.50	
		" work done with Engineer in driving Stakes on Del. St. 1 day	1.00	
		" work done on Illinois Street with City Engineer 1½ day	1.50	
		" cleaning gutter on Washington Street	.50	
		" do do on Kentucky Avenue,	.50=	4.00

The Same to be charged to Jas Blake.

(50)	To Philip Socks.	To repairing bridge over Pogues Run at the Foundry 1 day	1.00	
		" " " on Pennsylvania Street	.50	1.50
(41-2-4)	Wm Vail	" advances on grading Kentucky Avenue		80 00

Jos Butch St. Com"

* Accounts Presented.-

The Mayor presented a bill, for allowance, of the fees on his docket not collectable in all the city cases amounting to $50.48

On motion by Mr. Woodward laid on the table & the following resolution adopted.

(46) "Resolved, That the sum of fifty dollars be allowed the Mayor of the City of Indianapolis, toward the rent of the Mayors office during the present year."

A. A. Hammond's account for services rendered professionally presented a bill, for allowance of $55.00. Referred to the Committee on claims.

(51 & 52)	Allowed.	Socks & Stumph account for ½ days scraping Washington Street	1.00
(47)	"	Elder & Harkness' bill for printing amounting to	25.50
(86)	"	Sims A Colley, removing nuisances	1.75
(87)	"	Lewis McCormack, repairing bridge on Ind. Avenue	1 00
(48)	"	General Elliott, Gov. Wood's "hospitality" Bill	50 00

(1) School Fund Allowed Edwards & Davenport. for 2d dist.
B.B 3.00 3 dist. for sup.fr. BB. 2.00 5 00
(2) " Wm. L. Wingate, for sundries furnished School dist. No. 12 50
(3) " Saml McMillen, for sds " Schools 4.17

Reports of City Officers.

Treasurers Report: General fund

Dr		Cr	
May 13 Hospital Notes, in treasury	$113.33	By amt of Treasury Orders for cancellation	352 28
Orders from late Treasury	217.73	" " " interest on Treasury orders for can.	5 94
Interest	1.72	In Treasury:	
Cash	69 333.47	Hospital Notes 113.33	
Received for Exhibition	45 00	Cash 35.32	148 65
Sims A. Colley. City Marshal	122 50	June 2d 1851	$506 57
Collected on delinquent list	5 60		
	$506 57		

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Treasurers Report School fund

Dr		Cr	
May 13 In Treasury	$217 78	June 2d In treasury	$220.78
Delinguent tax collected	3 00		
	$220 78		$220.78

Marshal's Reported that he had taken up and sold 137 hogs & pigs amounting to 232 37

Amount refunded to claimant of hogs	58.50	
Expenses incurred	51.37[2]	
Am't paid City Treasurer	122.50	$232.37

Report of Committee on Streets, alleys &c.

"The undersinged committee on Streets, alleys, etc to whom was referred the matter of changing the grade of Pennsylvania Street have thoroughly examined into the same, and came to the following conclusions:

1st. That there appears to be a wish of a majority of the property holders on said Street that the present grade from Market to Ohio Street should be so changed as to make the uniform grade of the street a gradual fall from a point near Michigan Street to Market Street of one foot to the square of 510 feet.

2nd That to grade the Street as above and so change the grade of the cross Streets as to comform to the original plat of the City would cost about $575.

3d That to grade the Streets as above and make the cross Streets conform to the same by making summit levels in each Street, where the nature of the ground requires it and draining Massachusetts Avenue by

by deepening the gutters without changing the grade will cost about $200.

Your committee therefore directed the City Engineer to survey and set the gutter stakes upon one side of said Street at a regular grade of one foot fall from a point near Michigan Street to Market Street so that each property holder on said Street might see how his property would be affected by said grade & then if a majority of said property holders on said Street,(reckoning by feet fronting on Pennsylvania Street) petition for said change your committee would recommend that the same be granted and if not the original grade be established.

Respectfully submitted

C. Woodward)
N. Edwards)Committee
Thos. Buchanan)

Accepted; & the following petition read & ordered to be transcribed on the minutes.-

"To the City Council of Indianapolis.

The undersigned residents and owners of property on Pennsylvania Street, ask of you to have grade line of that Street changed to a one foot grade, and made straight & of one line from Michigan to Market Streets or to and from points near each of said Streets, so that said street will carry off its own water, and wherever possible without much change

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in the natural surface.) also the water east & west of it to the alleys.

Very Respectfully

(Signed) John H. Bradley	Daniel Yandes	A. Graydon
I. I. Wiseman	Thos. H. Sharpe, owner	S. Henderson
I. I. Drum	Robert Carran	I. K. Sharpe
I. W. Holland	William A Holliday.	Jas. Yandes
		Mr D Yandes
E. A. Hall.	R. G. Graydon	H. Passett
I. S. Pratt	L. S. Nowell	Wm H. Churchman
	R. R. Underhill."	

The prayer of the petitioners was granted, and the following orders adopted.

"Ordered. That the grade line of Pennsylvania Street from Market Street northwardly be changed and fixed at an ascending grade from said Market Street northwardly of one foot to each square (or in 510 feet) and so continue until until said last named grade line shall strike and meet the line of descending grade now existing and fixed south of or near to Michigan Street: and that the same shall be and is hereby established as and for the grade of said Pennsylvania Street.

And be it further ordered That the Street Commissioner do immediately proceed to open and grade the drains and gutters, upon the whole length of said street from Market to Michigan Streets and also to grade said Street and sides thereof ready for graveling from Ohio to Michigan Street.

And be it further ordered, That the amount necessary to grade said Street be assessed against the property holders along said Street as

directed by ordinance; and that the City Engineer be directed to set the stakes and make a report of the estimated expense as soon as possible."

The Select committee to whom was referred the subject of filling the lot around the School House in the Seventh Ward have examined the premises and are of opinion said lot ought to be filled, and have had an estimate made and the grade stakes set by the City Engineer, which estimate accompanies this report. We have also ascertained that dirt can be had from the side-walk west of the School house and ten or fifteen dollars paid for taking it away we therefore recommend to the City Council that they authorize the Street Commissioner to let the same to the lowest responsible bidder immediately T.Buchanan)

Respectfully etc C.Woodward(Com.

Concurred in. N.Edwards) "

City Engineers Report:

"The following resolution was passed by the City Council, May 22,1851 viz: "That the City Engineer report to the Council whether it is desirable and practicable to change the course of the water on each side of Washington Street, from Illinois Street to the Canal; and what has, if any, been done under an order of the Council directing a change in the grade of the gutter on said Washington Street between the points aforesaid."

The undersigned respectfully reports to the Council that the order passed on the 24th ultima, directing him to fix the grade of the gutter on Washington Street from Illinois Street west so as to drain the water from the west side of Illinois Street to the Canal.

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and set the stakes for the same," was not officially notified him till the 21st instant and therefore nothing had been done by him in relation to fixing the grades of the gutters or setting the side stakes.

From actual leveling Illinois street is 5 inches lower than it is at the west end of the McAdamizing near the South West end of the State House Square. The distance between those points is 870 feet; and calculating the inclination of the gutters at the same rate as that of Illinois Street between Michigan and Market Streets, the gutters would require to be 14 inches lower at the west end of the macadamizing than at Illinois Street; and if the gutters were constructed nine inches lower than Washington Street at Illinois Street, they would be 28 inches lower than Washington Street at west end of macadamizing.If the gutters on Washington street between the points aforesaid were graded with the inclination East as at present the gutters at west endof Macadamizing would be nine inches, and at Illinois Street 18 inches below Washington Street.

Washington Street falls 1½ inches from the west end of the macadamizing to Tennessee Street, and from that to Illinois Street it falls 3½ inches. If the summit level of the gutters was at Tennessee Street; and if the gutters at that point were constructed 9 inches below the centre of Washington Street, at Illinois Street they would be 12½ inches, and at the west end of the macadamizing 16½ inches below Washington Street.

The undersigned is of opinion that the gutters on Washington Street should be constructed so as to drain the water east to Illinois Street and west to the Canal from Tennessee Street. In coming to this conclusion he has not omitted to take into consideration the advantages of dispensing with a gutter across Kentucky Avenue at its junction with Washington Street, and of conveying the entire drainage to the canal so very desirable for diminishing the quantity of water running down the west side of Illinois Street.

May 29, 1851 James Wood, City Engineer"

Whereupon the following resolution was offered by Mr.Culley and adopted.

Resolved, That the order adopted by the Council April 24th 1851 changing the grade of side gutters on Washington Street west from Illinois Street to the Canal be and the same is hereby rescinded,-and the grade fixed by the City Engineer by his report dated May 29,1851, be and the same is hereby adopted as the grade of the gutters on Washington Street between the points aforesaid: therefore

Ordered, That the City Engineer be directed to set the grade stakes for the gutters (as contemplated in the foregoing Resolution, and that the Street Commissioner be directed to open the same.

Be it further ordered that the City Engineer be directed to set grade stakes for gutters on Kentucky Avenue from Illinois to Tennessee Streets and that the street Commissioner open the same".

A communication was received from J.T.Roberts, late Secretary, laid on the table, and the secretary & President directed to settle with him.

Page 306 Resolutions presented & adopted

By Mr.Woodward,

"Resolved That the City Marshal be directed to see that license is procured for exhibition in every instance where money is charged for admission to the same."

By Mr.Culley;

"Resolved,That a sum not exceeding fifty dollars be appropriated to each ward to be expended by the Street Commissioner in draining water, repairing ditches, & filling at mudholes, under the directions of the Councilmen of each ward; and that the Street Commissioner report his doing under this resolution at the next regular meeting."

By Mr.Buchanan:

"Resolved, That the fire companies of this city be requested jointly to furnish the City Council, within two months, with a report of the number of feet of new hose wanted, and the amount of incidental expenses likely to accrue during the coming year, and that will come within the limits of the extra tax voted at the late election"

The Secretary made a report to be published as soon as perfected.

Adjourned.

Attest D.B.Culley Secy. David V.Culley Prest

Page 307 - Regular Meeting -

Council Chamber July 7th 1851

Council Met. Present a full Council.
Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved
The Treasurer presented the following report:

	General Funds	Dr		Contra	Cr
(June 3)	Cash in Treasury	55.32		By amt orders redeemed	114 20
	Hospital Notes	113.33	148.65	" " Int "	3 05
	I. Miller, Clk				
	E. & W. Markets		40.62	In Treasury-Cash 21.27	
	H C Newcomb		50.00	" " Hospital	
	Tax list, 1850		12.58	Notes113.33	154 60
			$251 85		$251.85

	School Fund	Dr	Contra	Cr
(June 7)	In Treasury	220.78	By orders redeemed	22 92
	Col. on Dup	3.81	" amt in Treasury	201 67
		$224 59		$224 59

The Street Commissioner made the following report and the several

(73)	accounts allowed: Conrad Wehrly	hauling gravel	11.95
(74)	Pat. Griffin	23¼ days	$23 25
(75 & 76)	Jno Shields	21 3/4 "	21 75
(80-1-2)	Larenza Kennedy	12 3/4 "	12 75
(59 to 63)	H. Stumph	24 ¼ "	24 50
(64 to 67)	Geo. Hemienger	13 "	13 00
(57 to 58)	Rh. Locks	18 "	18 00
(83)	H. Wishmier	14½ "	14 50
(84)	Ph. Ennis	8½ "	8.50
(85)	William Engleman	7½	7.50
(68,69)	Adam Guior	7½	7 50
(77.-8-9)	Jos Butch	22¼ two horses & carts and one man	56 25
(S 4)	Pat. Flynn - filling School House lot in 7th Ward 159 yds at 13 cts pr yd (S. F.)		20 67

Labor where done:
1 W ard $28.00: 2d Ward, $53.75: 3d Ward, $39.20; 4th Ward $14.37½
5th W. 36.75 6 " 17.00: 7 " 30.37½ :" (219.45)

Accounts Presented. General Fund

Jas VanBlaricum for repairs of public pump on Maryland St for $3.75
Referred to Com. on pumps, etc.

(71) Philip Socks " " " fence at Grave Yard allowed 1.00
(70) Elder & Harkness " Printing Secretarys report " 19.50

School Fund

(5) W. L. Wingate for Sds. furnished public School in 7th Ward allowed .75
(6) C. & I. Cox " Stove & pipe " " " " " " 8.00

(72) The Committee on claims reported in favor of allowing A. A. Hammonds bill for professional Services of $55.00; Altho reported that they were not possessed of sufficient information to justify them in reporting in relation to the account of Wm Evans. Concurred in.

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Permit was granted. Mr. to peddle oranges, lemons, etc. for the Space of three months for five dollars.

The following communication was read:

To the City Council.

By order of your Board, passed 7th day of April ultima, a vote was taken at the annual election upon the question whether the Citizens would be willing to have an increase of taxes assessed against them, for fire engine purposes of 5 cents for each $100.00 worth of taxable property; and the following is the result, according to the poll books and tally papers of the different wards on file in the Secretarys Office.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4	5	6	7	Total
For tax	136	124	135	35	108	96	102	736
Against tax	49	119	34	24	11	28	44	209
Maj for tax	87	105	101	11	97	68	58	527

Report from Select Committee

The undersinged appointed a committee to procure from J. T. Roberts, late Secretary, certain moneys, notes, and papers, connected with the sales of the Small Pox Hospital Block withheld by him and not delivered over report that they have waited upon said Roberts, but he has refused to deliver up the map, notes, & money by him received for no other cause or reason as your committee conceive than that he has made use of the money as far as he has been able to collect the same, and wishes to hold on to the notes and papers till he can collect another payment from three who have purchased lots and who may not be aware that he is not legally authorized to receive or collect the same.

From the admission of Said Roberts he has sold lot No. 1. for 160.00; Nos. 2 & 3, for $90.00 each; Nos 5, & 6, for $80.00 each; & 10, & 11 for $50.00 each; The amount payable at purchase was one-third of said Sums. The sum of 290.00 was paid into the Treasury lots Nos. 1, 6, & 10 - Sold to J. E. Petty, Julias Petty & Silas Petty - in money and notes; leaving the amounts received of Jos. Belt, Thoms Deakman, Lucinda Ward & Anderson Moore in money and notes Still in the hands of said Roberts - amounting at the appraisement to $336.65. The whole number of lots laid off by order of the Council in Out Block No 95 was 17. Seven of them have been sold as above stated.

The Committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved, That the City attorney be directed to take such legal Steps as he shall deem proper to recover from Jos T. Roberts late Secretary the amount of money by him received by sundry persons for lots sold by him belonging to the City, as also certain notes given for deferred payments on said lots, as also the plat in his possession of said lots made by the City Engineer.

Resolved, That the purchasers of said lots be notified through one or more of the city papers not to pay said notes to said Joseph T. Roberts."

D. V. Culley committee

The report was received and Resolutions unaminously concurred in.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr Edwards, The petition of a large number of citizens in regard to filling up the grave yard pond. Referred to committee of Messrs. Woodward, Edwards, & Buchanan.

Page 309 "To the Honorable City Council of Indianapolis

We, the undersigned propertyholders of Indianapolis, and owning a majority of the feet on the east side of Delaware Street, between Washington & Maryland Streets, respectfully represent that they are desirous of having the sidewalk on the east side of said Street between Washington and Maryland Streets widened to fifteen feet, and graveled and graded, Therefore they pray your honorable body to order and direct t that the same may be widened, graveled, & graded, and the City Engineer set the stakes therefor according to the ordinance in such case made and provided, and as in duty bound we will ever pray.

Saml Beck	97½ ft	I. I. Wiseman	195 ft
Abner Smith	32½ ft		

The prayer of the said petitioners was granted and the City Engineer be directed to set the stakes.

To the Honorable the City Council of Indianapolis:

The undersinged property holders on New Jersey Street, north of Washington Street, represent that they wish to grade New Jersey Street from Washington to New York Street, and are willing to pay the requisite amount each according to the number of feet fronting on said Street held by us respectively, and to receive in lieu of the amount so paid by us, certificates receivable in payment of taxes, accruing on our said property on New Jersey street according to the ordinances in such cases

We therefore respectfully request that an ordinance be passed authorizing aaid work taking the dirt from New Jersey Street north, and directing the City Surveyor to set grade marks and make necessary estimates.

C-- Koller	195 ft	Geo Miller	67½ feet
Isaac Coe	390 "	B. T. Kavanaugh	33 3/4 "
A. Brouse	78½	Jno Youngerman	195 "
Dorathia Rushauph	31	G. Anderson	195 "
Ellen Hartman	25	H Bates	195
Fredrick Deakman	30	Geo. Mendenhall	195

W. F Wells, 202½

Petition granted and the following order passed;
Ordered, That the prayer of the petitioners be granted and the City Engineer be requested to make the necessary estimates and set stakes to carry the same into effect:
Ordered That the Street Commissioner advertise and let the same to the lowest responsible bidder for completing the same.

On motion by Mr.Culley it was
(216 to 221) Ordered That the Street Commissioner be directed to let the grading and paving of the gutter at the crossing of Ohio & Pennsylvania Streets to the lowest responsible bidder to be made and completed under the direction of the City Engineer, and to be paid for on his certificate

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Resolutions presented and adopted by Mr.Woodward.
Resolved That the Street Commissioner be directed to collect from Mr. Wingate, Mr.Henderson, & Mr.Haynes, a reasonable compensation for dirt taken from their sidewalk & pay the same over to the treasurer."
By Mr.Culley
Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to draft and report an ordinance to prevent the throwing or depositing any filth, rubbish,straw, manure, impure water, or any other thing or substance upon any street lane or alley, lot or space in the City; to prevent the filling up of the gutters in and along the Streets or alleys and Secure the free course of the water making it the duty of each property holder to keep the gutters in front of the property, by him occupied free from obstruction; to Prevent persons from hitching or feeding horses along the unpaved gutters where the same has been opened by the City.
Messrs Culley,Woodward, & Edwards were appointed said committee.

By Mr.Culley
Resolved That the property holders on the east side of Pennsylvania Street between Market and Ohio Streets be and they are hereby required to grade the sidewalk between the points aforesaid when the same has not already been done, in the time and manner required by ordinance.

Ordered, That the City Engineer be required to set stakes, if the same has not been done already, and make estimate.
Resolved, That the Treasurer be requested to procure the deeds for the School House lots.

By Mr.Culley
Resolved, That Messrs. Buchanan & Woodward be appointed a Committed to purchase a lot adjoining the public school in the 7th Ward. Said lot to be so devided at some future time and so much thereof as may not be necessary for said school shall be sold for the benefit of the said School fund.
Ordered That the said committee report their acts herein for approval at next meeting.

By Mr Louden

Resolved, That the City Council confirm the appointment of Samuel A Perry a deputy of the City Marshal: Provided, That the City Council will not hereby become responsible for any conpensation, so long as he shall act as such deputy by virtue of his appointment by said City Marshal.

Attest D. B. Culley, Sec'y David V. Culley Pres't

Page 311 Called Meeting July 22d 1851

Council met upon a call of the President. Present - Messrs Woodward, Buchanan, Edwards, Pitts, & Culley.

The President announced the object of the meeting; when the following preamble resolution was presented and unanimously adopted.

"Whereas, The Lafayette and Indianapolis RailRoad Company are grading the track of Said road down the Canal on Missouri Street, without any grant, or privilege, as required by ordinance, And whereas, Said Company are filling up the basin at the crossing of Washington Street over said canal, thereby creating a pond of Stagnant water on both sides of Washington Street, and endangering the health of many of our citizens" Therefore,

Resolved, That the City Attorney be, and he is hereby directed to institute such legal proceedings as may be necessary to prohibit said Company from making an embankment on Missouri Street, unless they shall make such culverts or outlets as will allow the free passage of the water, where the same are necessary, and such fills as to remove the water from said basins, on the east side of said Railroad embankments."

Mr. Buchanan presented Wenter & Carpenters bill for chain pump amounting to $17.50; Referred to Committee on claims.

On motion,

Council adjourned

Attest: D. B. Culley, Secy

David V Culley Prest

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Monday August 4th 1851

Council met, and adjourned to meet on Tuesday, August 5, 1851

Council met Present a full Council.
Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.
The Treasurer reported that there was in Treasury

July 7	Cash Notes. T.	113.33	Paid Orders		70.08
	"	21.27	Cash Notes on hands	113.33	
	Receipts	61.63	" " "	12.82	126.15
		196.23			$196.23
	Cash(School Fund)	$201.67	Paid Order		20.67
			Cash on hands		181.00
		201.67			201.67

Street Commissioners Report

The Street Commissioner reported the following accounts for allowance:

(118-119)	Pat. Griffith	20 days	20 00
(120-121)	John Sheilds	20 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	20 25
(122,123)	Henry Wishmier	11 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	11 25
(128-129)	Henry Stumphf	17 $\frac{1}{4}$	17 25
(127)	Adam Guier	7 3/4	7 75
			76.50
(99,101,102)	Georger Heinenger	4$\frac{1}{2}$ days	4.50
(126)	George Weaver for labor, etc		8.40
(125)	J. P. Meikel Cart & Horse, etc.		4.00
(114 to 116)	Joseph Butch (with 2 carts & Horses)	18 3/4	45.62
(124)	Anthony Kelly	2 days	2 00
			151 02

Which were allowed accordingly.

Accounts presented and allowed.

(102)	Van Blaricum & OConnor	for Spikes	.75
(103)	Van Blaricum & Jones	" Market Hooks	6.30
(104)	Sims A Colley	" Removing nuisances	4.12
(105)	S. Delzell & Co.	" (Stationery)Books	50.50
(106)	Ellis & Spann	" Printing	20.62
(107 to 112)	Daniel B. Culley	" Services in posting and straighting books	50.00
(113)	Irs Thayer	" 50 yds dirt at 6 cts pr yd	3.00

J. P. Butch St. Commissioner

Accounts presented and Referred.

J. M. Landis for gravel on South Street Referred to Com. on Streets, alleys, etc.

John P. Stumphf for fencing School Houses. Referred to Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Louden, Durham, and Edwards.

Report of Special Committees.

By Mr Woodward

The undersigned Committee, to whom was referred the Subject of filling the grave Yard ponds, would respectfully report, that as our treasury is now empty we deem it inexpedient to undertake the said job.

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By Mr Woodward.

The undersigned, Committee, to whom was referred the matter of purchasing a lot for an addition to the School lot in the Seventh Ward, report that said lot can be had for $250, part down and part in time, & recommend that the Council purchase the same;

Whereupon the sum of $125 was appropriated as the first payment for said lot.

Which was read by sections, and adopted (See Ordinance Book page)

By Mr Culley

"An ordinance to prohibit the throwing of manure, rubbish, or filth in and upon the public grounds, Streets, alleys, or commons of the City of Indianapolis, and for other purposes."

Petitions, & Remonstrances

I. M. Bramwell asked for the privilege of filling a mudhole on New York, (by taking dirt from said Street) between Alabama and New Jersey Streets; granted

Hoppers and others prayer for making sidewalk on McCarty Street was received and referred to Committee on Streets and alleys.

The petitions of Marion Fire Company & Relief Fire Company presented an estimate of amount required by each during next year filed.

Miscellaneous

The Marshal reported the payment into the Treasury of $29.63 as the net proceeds of the hogs & pigs impounded by him during last year.

Resolutions offered

By Mr Woodward

That Wm Sullivan be allowed to place a pump on the outside of the pavement on the east side of Pennsylvania Street between Maryland & Georgia Street; Provided he walls the same with brick.

By Mr Edwards

Resolved That the City Marshal be required to prohibit any person from digging or removing sand or gravel from the river bank, west of the old grave Yard, and that he be required to set up a notice of this

resolution at the place where the gravel is taken from, and other public places in the City.

By Mr Louden

Resolved, That the Sexton be and he is hereby requested to keep an account of the number of persons buried each week the name, and age of each, disease, if known, and report the same to the secretary of the Council, whose duty it shall be to have the same published in two of the public newspapers, and keep a register in a book prepared for that purpose.

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By Mr Pitts.

Resolved, That there be appropriated the sum of fifty dollars to each ward for the purpose of removing Standing water in mud holes throughout the City. Laid on table.

The Secretary, laid the following Quarterly Report before the Council.

Orders issues Since 1st May			949.90	
Street Scrip " " "			80.24	1030.14
Indebtedness 1st May Orders		2427.27		
Street Scrip		2610.01		5037.28
				$ 6067.42
Receipts during May & June & July				466.48
		Indebtedness.		$ 5601.04

On motion by Mr. Woodward

(S 90.-1-2) 6 Cents per yard is to be allowed J. Shea for any dirt he may place on Maryland Street east of Delaware Street.

On Motion

Adjourned

Attest.

DB. Culley Sec'y D V Culley, Prest

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Aug't 26, 1851

Council met upon a call of the President. Present a full Council. Save Messrs Durham and Louden.

The President made known the object of the meeting, whereupon,,

On motion by Mr Woodward,

A Committee, (consisting of Messrs Woodward, Buchanan, and Pitts) were appointed to inquire into the expediency of procuring lamp posts, and lighting the Streets of the City with gas.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretaries of the various Fire Companies in the City furnish the Secretary of the City Council a complete and accurate list of the members of their several Companies by the 1st of September next.

On motion, D V Culley Prest

Adjourned.

Attest:

Daniel B Culley, Sec'y C.C.

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Council Chamber,
September 1st. 1851

Present a full Council Save Edwards.
Minutes of preceding read and approved.
The Treasurer presented the following reports, read and approved.

General Fund.		Dr	Contra			Cr
(Augt 5)						
Cash Notes on hand	113.33		By amt paid Orders			$111.65
Cash funds	12.82	126.15	" " cash notes on hands		113.33	
Received of Wm. Riddle, City Auctioner		35.00	" " Cash		16.22	129.55
Received of Mr Porter City Attorney		30.00				$241.20
" of Jacob Miller Market Master		40 05				
Collected delinquent tax		5 00				
		$ 241.20				$241.20
School Fund						
(Augt 5)						
The amt in Treasury		$181.00	By amt paid orders			$133 00
			" " Cash on hand			48 00
		$181.00				$ 181 00

The Street Commissioner reported the following accounts for allowance:

(174 to 176)	Patrick Griffin	22	days	22 00
(177 to 180)	John Sheilds	23½	"	23 50
(181-2-3)	Henry Stumph	17½	"	17 50
(184-5-6)	Henry Shiltmier	17½	"	17 50
(187-8)	Charles Shiltmier	10	"	10 00
(136)	Adam Guise	1½	"	1 50
				92 00
			up	92 00
(141)	William Sonefield			4 00
(132 & 133)	I P. Meikel			5 00
(142)	George Heinenger			2.00
(144 to 150)	Joseph Butch			51 25
(143)	Hugh Daley			4 50
				$158 75

The above amount expended in the several wards as follows: 1st Ward, 1.00: 2d Ward 26.12^2: 3d Ward 45.75: 4th Ward 39.50: 5 Ward 2.50: 6th Ward 17.37^2 7 Ward 25.50.

Accounts presented and allowed.

(135) Henry S. Kellogg
Nails etc. 2 61

(134) Ellis & Spann
Printing ordinance 4 50

(137) Elder & Harkness
" account 18 25

(151 to 173) Jno B. Stumph fencing
7th Wd 1W 5th W.
61.50 33.00 33.60
3d Ward 34.80 163 30

(138) Nelson McCaw for
Block use of M.H. 3 00

(139) Jacob Miller Louden's
Bill 10 00

(140) Philip Socks
Loudens Bill 8 14

(132) J.P.Meikel Paving
gutter Penn St w s 9.07
From other column 201.66
$218.87

(189) George Youngerman
Tax refunded 1 20

- - Petitions Presented - -

By Mr Buchanan

"To the honorable, the City Council of Indianapolis:
The undersigned petitions your honorable body to grant to the Agent of the Menagenies of Raymond & Co. & Vanainburgh & Cos the privilege of using the ground lying north of the East Market House for the purpose of exhibiting the said manageries on the 4th day of September next.

A M Hunt, Agent

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The prayer of the petitioner was granted, with the provision that he will be responsible for any damage that may be occasioned in and about the Market House by reasons of such permit.

"To the Honorable, the City of Indianapolis:

The undersigned, citizens and voters of the City of Indianapolis, would respectfully ask your honorable body to make arrangements and contracts for procurring lampposts and lamps to be used in lighting the City with gas along the line of pipes laid down by the Gas Company, and to contract for furnishing the same with gas along the Streets so soon as the Company is ready to furnish the same, and as in duty bound your petitioners, &c, &c.
Signed Th N Sharpe, et. al. Laid on the table

George Anderson and others for improvement of alley running east and west through Block 59 was read. & Referred to Committee on Streets & Alleys.

Jacob Birkenmayer, asked the privilege of making certain improving certain Street therein named at his individual expense; granted.

R. R. Underhill & D. W. Noble asked that the Council permit them to grade and gravel Pennsylvania Street between Michigan Street & North Street: granted as far as grading this fall, and the graveling in the Spring.

--Report of Select Committee --

"The Committee appointed by the Council to take into consideration the propriety of lighting the City with gas, would report that they believe that the people of the City, Generally are in favor of lighting the City as far at least as to light the centre of the City, and to erect lampposts, but Your Committee are aware that the finances of the City are not at present in a condition to do the same properly;

They would therefore recommend that some measures be taken to accomplish said object, and if it cannot be done without that an election be called, and the people asked to vote for or against an extra tax for this specified object.

C Woodward
Geo. W. Pitts
Thomas Buchanan

Whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That the matter of an approporiation for lighting the City with gas be referred to a vote of the people, and that the President be requested to issue his proclamation for said vote for that purpose. to be held September 13th, 1851 within the hours prescribed by law."

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- - Resolutions - -

By Mr Woodward:

Resolved, That the President at the election for gas, notify the voters to vote for or against a tax of 1 cent on one hundred dollars for the erection of a public clock in the city. Carried

By Mr Durham,

Resolved, That the sum of $100 be appropriated toward im-

proving Ohio between East and New Jersey Streets" Lost.

By Mr. Pitts:

Resolved, That there be an appropriation of two hundred & forty dollars for the purpose of building an engine house for the Western Liberties.

Be it further Resolved, That the City Council grant to said company or the person authorized to let the building the privilege of erecting said building on the School house lot in 4th Ward back part of said lot; also

Be it Resolved, That the City Treasurer be required to collect as soon as practicable and retain and pay over to said Company or the person authorized to let the job of building

The building to be 16 by 42 feet long and one room to be plastered and finished for the purpose of the companies transacting the business of said Company the room is to be at least 12 by 16 feet.

Referred to Committee on Fire Department.

- - Miscellaneous - -

The President Gave notice of the perfecting of the purchase of School lot in 7th Ward, and procuring the deed, by payment of $125. as the first payment, and an order drawn upon the Treasury payable January 1st, 1852 without interest. The following is a description of the premises: All of Lot No. 21 (twenty one) of Wingates subdivision of Square or Block No eighty-one (81) of the City of Indianapolis, according to the subdivision and plat thereof, now of record in the Recorders' office of Marion County, Indiana."

Deeded Samuel Shank & Sarah his wife.

The following named persons were appointed inspectors of election. to be held September 13, 1851.

First Ward.	David Beaty.	At City School House
Second Do	N. P. Coburn	At Court House
Third Do	John S. Allen	At City School House
Fourth Do	H. S. Rockey	At Dist " " (West Canal)
Five Do	George Espy	At City " "
Sixth do	Jas VanBlaricum	At Wright House.
Seventh do	Wm L. Wingate	at City School House

On motion, By Mr. Buchanan.

Jos. Irwin is priviledged to dispose of the dirt in front of his property as he chooses, if after thirty days notice the citizens thereabouts do not

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apply it toward the improvement of their sidewalks or Streets.

The Gas Company granted the privilege of taking dirt from Pennsylvania Street south of South Street, with the understanding that they furnish the same amount of dirt along their sidewalk in front of their property.

On motion by Mr Woodward

The Street Commissioner was directed to have the bridge across Pogues' Run on Pennsylvania Street put in good repair the least terms possible.

On Motion The Street Commissioner directed to procure 5,000 feet 2 inch Oak Plank for the use of the City

The City Attorney informed the Council of the reception by him from Jos. Roberts, late Secretary, the unpaid note received by said Roberts on the Sale of the "Hospital lots" belonging to the City, and that the money received by said Roberts as the first payment is still retained by him.

The Council adjourned to meet on the 15th day of September for the purpose of hearing appeals from the assessment roll. And to canvass the voter polled at the election to be held on the 13th inst.

Attest:
D B Culley, Secy. David V Culley, Prest

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September 15th, 1851.

Council met. Present a full Council, Save Mr Durham

The Board of canvassers returned Poll Books of the late election held on Saturday, September 13, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the voters of said City were willing that a Special levy of 8 cents on the $100 worth of taxable property should be assessed for the purpose of supplying the City with gas; also whether a tax of 1 cent on the $100 worth of taxable property be assessed for the purchase of a Town Clock: and reported the following result:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
For Gas	14	41	13	2	14	38	15	137
Agt "	60	28	53	17	23	27	56	264
Maj against Gas 46								127

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
For Town Clock	27	60	44	7	24	50	38	250
Agt " "	47	9	22	12	13	15	33	151
Majority for Town Clock								99

The petition of Albert S. White, as follows, was read:

To the City Council of Indianapolis:

The Lafayette and Indianapolis RailRoad Company represent that they have located said Railroad So far as it runs through the City of Indianapolis as follows: To intersect North Street between Mississippi Street and the Canal which it strikes at or near the crossing of Indiana Avenue; thence following the eastern bank of the Canal to Georgia Street; and proceeding thence, crossing Kentucky Avenue, to Louisiana Street at or near the location of the Indianapolis & Terre

Haute Railroad Depot; And said Company petition Your honorable body, under the provisions of the ordinance in such cases made and provided for permission to construct said road along the route aforesaid, and to runs their cars and locomotives thereon; and also ask the privilege of raising said roads at the crossing of Market Street, two and one half feet above its present established grade. Said company on its part agreeing to construct suitable culverts for the passage into the canal of the water which may flow into the Canal at that point from the East, and at all other crossings of Streets where the same may be necessary. And said Company further ask the privilege of crossing Washington Street at its present City grade, where it crosses the Canal.

All of which is respectfully Submitted.

Albert S. White Prest I. & L R R Co.
By James Blake

Laid over, under ordinance, till next meeting.

The Secretary laid before the Council the Assessment Roll and no one appealing it was taken to be correct.

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On Motion

The Inspectors, Judges, Clerk of the elections held on April 1851 & September 13th 1851 be allowed each the sum of fifty cents.

On Motion by Mr Woodward it was

"Resolved That a committee of three be appointed to make contract for a Public Clock; and receive proposals from the different churches, and public buildings for a place to put the same" Carried

Messrs Woodward, Louden & Edwards.

(215 12.00 J. M. Landis)

The Committee on Streets and alleys reported back the bill of Jos M Landis for $12.00 for dirt furnished on South Street, as correct, and recommended its payment. Allowed.

The Council levied the taxes as follows: For each poll $1.00, dog $1.00: General tax 15 cents on the $100 taxables, School tax 12^2 cents on the $100 taxables; & Fire Tax at 5 cents on the $100 taxable, & Town clock tax at 1 cent on the $100 taxables.

The petition of A. G. Porter and others, owning a majority of feet along either side of Delaware Street, praying for the privilege of grading and graveling Alabama Street was presented, and the request granted.

On Motion,

The Council adjourned

Attest,

Daniel B. Culley, Sec'y D. V. Culley, Prest.

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Council Chamber
Oct. 6, 1851

Council met pursuant to adjournment: Present, Buchanan, Edwards, Louden, Pitts, Woodward and Mr. Culley President

The Treasurer was granted farther time to make report.

The Street Commissioner reported improvement of Streets as follows: In First Ward 1.94 $74.75 = 76.69; 2d Ward 4.50; 3d Ward 9.30; 4th Ward 2.25; 5th Ward 29.75; 6th Ward 32.25; 7th Ward 1.25 = Total $153.74

(200) Ph. Derr	5 days		5 00
(198) Rath. Griffith	2 "		2 00
(201 & 2) John Sheilds	16 "		16 00
(197) Henry Stumph	16 "		16 00
(203 & 4) Henry Sheltmier	16 "		16 00
(205) Anthony Kellimier	8 "		8 00
(206) Cornelius Wagoner	Plowing	67	4 00
(207) I. P. Michael	7 days H & c	67	8 75
(208 to 211) Joseph Butsch	15 " 2 "		37 50
(196) George Heinenger	6½ "		6 50
(212) Ephraim Croase	1½ " Plowing		1 94
(213) E. Holland			7 05
(199) I. Byrket	Bridging Pogues Run		25 90
			$153 74

(214) Wm Smock & Co Bill Lumber $55.00

Accounts presented:

(452) Samuel Hetselgeser,	Blacksmithing	$1 50
(222) Sims A. Colley	Marshal for removing nuisances	9 00
(S O) Thomas Buist	for Stoves furnished City S. House etc	22 85

Which were Severally allowed

Walker & Carpenters Bill for chain pump 17.50
Was laid on table.

Mr. Edwards was granted leave of absence.

The President announced the following as the Standing Committee on City Schools. Messrs Louden, Edwards, Durham, Buchanan.

The prayer of the petition of Mr Mc Carty and others for improve-

ment of alley in Block No 59, was granted. St. Scrip to be issued upon the completions and payment of the job.

On motion by Mr Louden
It was ordered That the well upon Washington Street in front of the house occupied at present by Mr Roberts as a Drug Store be placed in good order at the City expence.

Report from Committees

Mr Woodward.
From a Select Committee on that subject reported, the proposals of Messrs Howard & Davis of Boston, Mass. to furnish a Town Clock.
Ordered. To be filed.

Petitions Presented.

Mr Robson's petition praying for the exclusive privilege of weighing hay in the City of Indianapolis for the Space of fifteen or twenty years.
Referred to Select com. consisting of Messrs. Louden, Woodward & Pitts.

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(343-4-5) From Samuel Vanlaningham pryaing an extra allowance of twenty five dollars as assessor. Granted by the following vote.
Yeas:- Messrs. Pitts, Louden, Woodward, Buchanan, & Culley.
Nays.- None.

Geo. F. Browning and others praying that an ordinance be drafted and ordained providing for lighting the Streets with gas.
Referred To Committee on Revision.

Robert Mitchell & others, praying for the privilege of grading of Alabama Street between Merrill & McCarty Street and paying for it as other improvements are; Granted

John D. Defrees asking privilege of placing a vault under sidewalk on Pennsylvania Street in front of Journal Buildings.
Referred to committee on Streets and alleys to report an ordinance.

John H. Bradley, praying that Jeremiah Shea & Dennis Sullivan be allowed extra compensation over and above contract price for the improvement of Pennsylvania Street between Ohio & Michigan St. Referred to committee on claims consisting of Messrs Buchanan, Woodward & Louden.

The petition of Lafayette & Indianapolis Rail Road Co. was on motion taken up, and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Edwards and Pitts.

(193-4-5) On motion Jeremiah Shea and Dennis Sullivan were allowed $42.48½ as the amount assessed against the State for the improvement of Seminary Block on Pennsylvania per assessments.

On motion, It was

Ordered, that the sidewalk on the North side of Washington street be graded and repaved with bricks between Illinois and Pennsylvania streets within thirty days, save where the same complies to the established good of the City and permanent good and the Street Commissioner notify property holders concerned of the passage of the order.

On Motion, it was Resolved, that the City Marshal be instructed to have the windows in the Council Chamber and engine house be repared, and have the stoves put up, and get wood and have it sawed suitable to burn.

On Motion, it was resolved that a select committee be appointed to draft an ordinance to compel, by proper penalties, the observance of the ordinance in regard to interments of the dead.

On Motion, adjourned,

D.B.Culley, Secy. David V. Culley, Prest.

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Expenses of Election 1851 Allowed Sept. 15, 1851

Election for City Office and Tax Question

First Ward

284	David S. Beaty Ins. - -	1.00
285	Robert Patterson Indpls -	1.00
223	G.W.Kimberly " - - -	.50
286	S.Delzell Clk - - - -	1.00
287	L.Vanlaningham - - - - -	.50
288	A.B.Houston - - - - - - -	.50
289	Geo.McOuat - - - - - - -	.50

Second Ward

290	I.T.Bosworth - - - - -	.50
291	A Brouse - - - - - - - -	.50
283	C V Burgess - - - - - -	1.00
225	Alf. Stevens - - - - - -	.50
226	Daniel Bleulley - - - -	.50
292	H. P.Cobun - - - - - - -	.50
293	Wm Smith - - - - - - - -	.50
295	A Smith - - - - - - - - -	.50
294	H. Ohr - - - - - - - - -	.50

Fourth Ward

305 Thomas Eaglesfield - - - - .50
306 A.I.Buckheart - - - - - - - -1.00
307 I.H.Hopkins - - - - - - - - .50
308 Benj. McCluer - - - - - - - .50
309 H.S.Rockey - - - - - - - - - .50
310 D.H.Slachland - - - - - - - - .50
227 S.M.Douglass - - - - - - - - .50
311 S.S.Rechor - - - - - - - - - .50
312 I.W.Buckheart - - - - - - - - .50

Third Ward

296 G. Norwood - - - - - - - - - .50
297 Sams Swain - - - - - - - - - .50
298 John Kyle - - - - - - - - - .50
299 J.S.Allen - - - - - - - - - 1.00
300 A.L.Tilford - - - - - - - - .50
301 M.M.Ray - - - - - - - - - - - .50
302 Daniel Siler - - - - - - - .50
303 A.P.Luse - - - - - - - - - - .50
304 Wm. W. Ray - - - - - - - - - .50

Fifth Ward

313 George Espy - - - - - - - - 1.00
314 Wm. W. Sargent - - - - - - - .50
315 Robt. Tucker - - - - - - - - .50
316 H. Davenport - - - - - - - - .50
317 R.B.Barbee - - - - - - - - - .50
318 P.R.Pearsall - - - - - - - - .50
319 I.P.Winder -- - - - - - - - - .50

Sixth Ward

320 James VanBlaricum - - - - - .50
321 Nixon Hughes - - - - - - - - 1.00
322 Abner Clark - - - - - - - - - .50
323 C.L.Anderson - - - - - - - - .50
324 Royal Mayhew - - - - - - - - 1.00
325 R.R.Stewart - - - - - - - - - .50
326 I.P.Pope - - - - - - - - - - .50
224 S.S.Hannah - - - - - - - - - .50

Seventh Ward

327 Simon Peters_ - - - - - - - 1.00
328 W.Smith - - - - - - - - - - .50
329 Francie Bury - - - - - - - - .50
330 J.B.Weeks - - - - - - - - - .50
331 Robert Mitchell - - - - - 1.00
332 W.L.Wingate - - - - - - - - .50
333 Hoffman - - - - - - - - - - .50
334 R.M.Stewart - - - - - - - - .50

Council Chamber Nov. 3, 1851

Council met. Present a full Board
The minutes of preceeding meeting read and approved.
The Treasurer made the following report:

Dr. General Fund acc/t Cr.

Sept.1	To amt in Treasury: Notes	$113.33		Sept.30 By orders redeemed			
	" " " " Cash	16.22	$129.55		Principal	$ 72.39	
2	" " peddling license	15.00			Interest	.23	$72.62
	" " Raymond & Co.'s Circus	50.00		Oct. 31 By orders redeemed			
5	" " Notes of I.Roberts per C.Atty	206.66			Principal	115.90	
					Interest	5.41	121.31
7	" " Vontrilogual license	5.00					
30	" " Collected,Taxes	15.45	292.11	" " By St.Scrip.redeemed			15.55
Oct.31	" " Collected "	99.21		" amt in Treasury:			
" "	" " of Market Master	40.10	139.31		Cash	31.50	
			560.97		Notes	319.99	351.49
							$ 560.97

Closed

Dr School Fund Account Cr

Sept. 1	To Cash in Treasury	48.00		Oct. 31 By amt.paid order No.9		$ 22.85	
" 30	" " collected on del. list	11.80		" " " " cash in Treasury		98.48	121.33
Oct. 31	" " collected on del. list	61.53	121.33				
Nov. 1	" " in Treasury	98.48					

Closed

Fire Engine Account

Dr			Cr		
Oct 31	To Amt of Tax Collected	$ 25.23	Oct. 31	By amt in Treasury	$25.23

Town Clock Account

Dr			Cr		
Oct. 31	To amt of Tax collected	5.09	Oct. 31	By amt in Treasury	5.09

Which was approved of and vouchers examined and cancelled

The Street Commissioner made the following report: approved of Expended during month of October in First Ward $ 8.00
" Second do 9.25
" Third do 10.00
" Fifth do 4.25
" Sixth do 12.00 $43.50

359	Orders to issue to:	Henry Stumph 5 days	$ 5.00	
346-7-8		Henry Sheltmier 16 do	16.00	
360		Philip Socks 5 do	5.00	
356		I.P.Miekel 1 day plowing 2 days carting	8.00	
263-4		Joseph Butsch carting & labor	8.50	
361		Thomas Buchanan 1 plow beam	1.00	43.50

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Accounts Presented.

S.Fund	C. & I. Cox, 1 Stove and pipe 7th Ward School House	$10.50	
	Allowed and ordered to be paid from School Fund		
270	E.Holland Hauling gravel, (23 Loads @ 35 cts.)	8.05	
271	A. Graydon Keg 30d Nails	4.25	
272	R.R.Underhill, To Bal on acct	9.31	
268 & 9	E. Cattling Well account	10.05	
273	Marten Smock " "	2.50	
274	Geo. W. Buchanan, To carpenter work	2.75	
275	H. S. Kellog, To Stove pipe etc	3.00	
276	James W. Buckhart. Replacing window glass in CC.	6.75	
259	Sims A. Culley Incidentals	2.62	
277	I. McCormack To burring three "hoggs"	.75	
278	Little, Domm & Anderson, To amt paid expenses of Hose	1.50	
279	Anderson & Durham , To 1 broom & 3 lbs candles Marion fin Co.	.62½	
260-2	Elder & Haskuep Fr Printing	26.50	
280-1-2	Ellis Spann	18.00	96.65½
	All of which were allowed		
	Alfred I.Rooker Bill glazing school house in 3d Ward	4.08	
	Referred to the Committee on School Houses		

Reports of Committees

Mr. Edwards, presented the following report:

The undersigned committee on the Fire Department, to whom was referred the resolutions in relation to an Engine House in the Fourth Ward, would report that the same should in the opinion be passed. The money expended to be deducted from their share of the fire Engine tax, due the said Western Liberties Fire Engine Company:" (See Proceedings Sept. 1st 1851, Resolutions by Mr.Potts)

The Council appropriated two hundred and fifty dollars towards an Engine House, as above. N. Edwards, C.Woodward & Thomas Buchanan Committee

Thomas Buchanan presented the following report:

"Your committee, to whom was referred this petition from Jerrimiah Shea for extra allowance on work done on Pennsylvania Street, would report that Mr.Shea not having shown to your committee that he has not been fully paid for said improvement. We recommend that the same be not allowed"

Thomas Buchanan)
C. Woodward (Comm.
A.A.Louden)

Report concurred in

Mr. Edwards, Chairman of the Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Lafayette & Indianapolis R Road Co. asked for further time. Granted.

Mr. Louden asked for and obtained further time for the committee, to whom was referred Robsons petition to report.

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Remonstrances & Petitions presented .

James P. Drake and others remonstrating against the order of the Council praying the Council to change the grade of the pavement on North side of Washington Street between Pennsylvania Street and Meridian Street, wherefore

Mr.Louden offerred the following resolutions:

Resolved that the property holders on the North side of Washington Street between Pennsylvania & Meridian Streets be permitted to let the grade at the line of the Street remain as it is: Providing they bring the walk down to the grade at the outer edge of sidewalk."

On motion, The whole matter was referred to this committee on streets & alleys, to report at their earliest convenience.

Andrew Protman praying that the Council allows him the sum of $4.00 as the balance paid to the City Treasury by the Marshal upon the sale of a certain hog belonging to him.

Referred to committee on claims.

A.Graydon and others, praying that an order be passed requiring the paving of the sidewalk, east side of Pennsylvania street between New York and Michigan streets;

Referred to Committee on streets and alleys.

Resolutions

By Mr. Edwards.

"Resolved that the Market Master is hereby admonished to see that the several ordinances regulating Markets, are more strictly enforced; especially Section 15, Chapter 6, of the ordinances approved May 3, 1848" Adopted.

Miscellaneous.

On motion of the Committee on Fire Department were instructed to contract for the building of the Engine House in fourth Ward.

The Secretary made the following quarterly report:

Orders outstanding Augt.1, 1851		$ 2910.69
Issued during qr. ending Oct.31, '51		1152.03
		4062.72
Redeemed " " "		181.73
On outstanding Nov.1, 1851		$ 3880.99
Street Scrip outstanding Aug.1,51	$2690.25	
Issued during Qr.Oct.31,1851	869.43	3559.68
Total debt Nov.1, 1851		$ 7440.67

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The Committee on Revision reported an ordinance entitled "An ordinance in relation to embankments and excavations" which, after a few amendments was ordained, and ordered to be published; also another ordinance entitled "An ordinance to prohibit the erection of wooden buildings upon Washington Street", which after a spirited debate when filling the blanks was adopted extending as far as Alabama street to the East and Mississippi street to the West and ordered to be published. (See Ordinance Book pages.

On Motion

Adjourned to meet Friday evening next

Attest

Daniel B.Culley,Secy. Daniel V.Culley,Prest.

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Council Chamber, Friday Evening
November 7th 1851

Council met Present a full Council, save Mr. Buchanan.
Minutes of former meeting read and approved.
Mr. Louden offerred for adoption an ordinance in regard to markets, but, upon request, withdrew it, when Mr.Woodward offered for adoption the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Committee on Revision of Ordinances be instructed to report in the Market Ordinance that markets be opened daily, and that no particular hour be specified for opening the Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday markets, but the Monday and Thursday markets be opened at 12 o'clock, M." Adopted.

Mr. Edwards presented a petition of Willis Arnold and twenty two others, praying for the opening of Mississippi and Tennessee streets South of South Street;

Referred to committee on street and alleys .

No.10 S.Fund The committee on School Houses, reported the bill of Alfred I. Rooker for $4.08 as a correct account, and recommended its payment. Concurred in.

11 S.F. Jno D. Depress, account against School Fund 4.80 was allowed Daniel Blenlly's account for making Duplicate $60.00 was referred to committee on Claims.

C.Woodward, from the committee on Streets and Alleys, made the following report:

"The Committee on Streets and Alleys have examined the pavement on the North side of Washington street between Meridian st. and the first alley east, are of the opinion that the outer edge of said pavement should conform to the city grade. They also recommend that the owners of lots or parts of lots there be allowed to raise their pavement ten inches from the outer edge to within five feet of the inner edge, (being 15 feet) and then ascend at such grade as best suits their respective buildings; Provided, that upon the rebuilding upon any of the lots or parts of lots aforementioned, this order shall be null and of none effect".

Concurred in

"The committee on Streets and alleys would report favorably upon the petition of A Graydon, and others, in regard to their sidewalk". Whereupon the following order was passed:

Ordered that the City Engineer give grade levels upon the East side of Pennsylvania street between New York and Michigan street for sidewalk; and that the Street Commissioner immediately notify property holders along East side of said street between the points mentioned above to proceed to grade, and pave and gravel within thirty days".

Ordered, that the Street Commissioner be directed to cause a gravel walk to be made across Vermont street where Pennsylvania street crosses it on the East.

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Mayor Newcomb tendered his resignation as follows.

"To the City Council of Indianapolis:

Desiring to appropriate my time exclusively to the practive of my profession, I respectfully tender to you my resignation as Mayor of the City of Indianapolis.

I cannot permit this occasion to pass without expressing to the citizens of Indianapolis my hearty thanks for the repeated evidences of regard and confidence with which they have honored me, in twice electing me to the honorable and responsible office which I now surrender into your hands. Horatio C. Newcomb

November 7th 1851

On motion, the resignation of Mr. Newcomb was accepted.

On motion, The Council proceeded to the election of a Mayor to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation; whereupon
Mr.Caleb Scudder was nominated and the following was the vote:
For Scudder - Messrs Culley,Durham, Edwards, Louden, Pitts and Woodward.
The President announced the election of C.Scudder as Mayor of the City of Indianapolis to serve such until the last Saturday in April 1853 and until his successor is elected and qualified.

Mr. Woodward offered the following resolution:
"Resolved, That the Secretary of City Council procure a seal for the use of his office, which shall be an exact copy of the one now in use by the Mayor." Adopted.

On motion by Mr. Edwards.
Mr.Pitts was added to the committee to whom was assigned the duty of letting and contracting for the building of an Engine House in the 4th Ward.

The Committee on Revision of Ordinances reported two ordinances respectively entitled:
"An ordinance in relation to lighting the City" and
"An ordinance in relation to Theatres, Shows, etc."
Which, being amended by filling blanks, etc. were ordained and established. (See ordinance Book pages).

On motion. The Council adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening next.

Daniel V.Culley,Prest.

Attest:-Daniel Blenlley,Secy C.C.

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Council Chamber, Tuesday
November 11, 1851

Council met. Present Messrs Louden, Woodward, Edwards, Pitts and the president.
Minutes of Preceding meeting read and approved.
The President presented the following:

"Mr. Culley: Please give notice to the City Council that they are invited to attend the examinations of the City Schools as follows:
In the 4th District (7th ward) on Thursday the 13th Nov. at 9½ o'clock, A.M.
In the 1st District (1 ward) on Thursday the 13 Nov. at 2 o'clock, P.M.
In the 3d District (5 ward) on Friday the 14 Nov at 9½ o'clock A.M.
In the 2 District (3 ward) on Friday the 14 Nov. at 2 o'clock P.M.
S.Merrill, Chm of Superintendents.

Mr. L.S.Campbell's bill for $4.50 for Black Boards, etc. furnished 3d District School House; was, on motion, referred to the committee on School House.

Mr. Edwards moved that an appropriation of $125 be made to rebuild the bridge at the crossing of the canal on Maryland Street, and also that a

further sum of $125 be appropriated to erect a bridge at the crossing of the canal of South Street;

On motion, by Mr. Louden,

The committee on street and alleys were instructed to inquire into the expediency of erecting said bridges.

The committee on Streets and alleys reported favorably to the petition of Willis Arnold and others praying for the opening of Mississippi and Tennessee st. south of South Street;

On motion of Mr. Pitts said report was recommitted to said committee to ascertain and report as to whether said streets had ever been opened, and if so, whether they had ever been vacated by act of the Legislature.

On motion, it was

"Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be requested to report at next meeting whether the property holders on the north side of Washington street, between Pennsylvania and Illinois Streets were duly notified of the order of the City Council requiring them to grade and repave the sidewalk between the points aforesaid in thirty days from the date of such order, (Act of October, 1851) and if so notified, why the work has not been done as required."

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to issue license to Wm. H. Briggs to exhibit the "Novia Scotia grant and Dissolving View for 6 days at $3. per day and for any longer period of time at the same rate.

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The Committee on claims reported the petition of Mr. Protzman, praying for $4.12½; (as the amount paid into City Treasury as the proceeds of sale of hog alledged to belong to him sold by Marshal of City) without recommending any action; wherefore,

On motion it was

Ordered That the Secretary issue a warrant on the Treasury for $4.12½ to Mr. Protzman, upon his filing with the Secretary proof of ownership of the hog so sold".

The Committee on Revision of Ordinances reported an ordinance entitled "An ordinance in regard to Public Markets", which was read, and, on motion, ordained and established, to take effect the 1st day of December, next.

On motion, adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening next.

David V. Culley Prest

Attest

Daniel B. Culley,

Secy.C.C.

City Council Chamber
Nov 18, 1851

Council met. Present Messrs. Buchanan, Pitts, Louden, Edwards and Mr. Culley President.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

The Street Commissioner offered the following report:

"To the City Council:

Your Street Commissioner respectfully reports that he notified the property-holders along North side of Washington street between Pennsylvania and Meridian Street, of the order of the City Council, to repave and regrade sidewalk within thirty days, on the 15th day of October 1851.

But being informed by the Councilman of Third Ward that it was unnecessary to give notice between Meridian and Illinois street, because the property holders had contracted for repaving and regrading, and that notices would be superfluous.

I gave the notice required on last Wednesday, the 12th inst as required by your order"

Nov. 18, 1851 Joseph Butch, St.Commissioner

On motion,
Patrick Dougherty, Patrick Gallangher, Machel Funksommer, Edward Brogan, were permitted to receive license for ten days by payment oftwo dollars each, to peddle in the city of Indianapolis.

The committee on the Revision of the Ordinance reported ordinances entitled respectively:

"An Ordinance regulating vaults under Sidewalks" and

"An Ordinance authorizing the Lafayette and Indianapolis Railroad Company to construct a track through the city of Indianapolis, and prescribing the terms thereof".

Ordained and established.

On motion adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening next.

Attest: David V. Culley, Prest.
Daniel B. Culley, Secy.

Council Chamber

Called Meeting Nov. 25

Council met. Present Messrs. Buchanan, Edwards, Woodward & Pitts & Culley, President.

The Committee on Revision of Ordinances asked for further time to report ordinance; granted.

Mr. Woodward made the following report.

"The Committee on Streets and alleys, to whom was referred a petition to open certain streets South of South Street, would respectfully report that at present the city is unable to bear the expense necessary to open the same and they therefore report the same inexpedient.

C. Woodward
Thomas Buchanan
N. Edwards."

Nov. 25.
Concurred in.

On motion,
Wm. Robson, was appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. Davenport, in the Board of Superintendents of the Common School, in the 3d District 5th Ward.

On motion it was

"Resolved, that the Councilmen in the Second and Sixth Wards are thereby authorized to dispose of the School lots in the several wards, and purchase such lots, as, in their own opinion shall be the best suited for the purposes designed the overplus, if any, to be paid out of the School fund. Provided, the selection be approved by the Council.

Mr. Woodward, from the committee on that subject reported having received proposals for furnishing the city with a town clock, from Sherry & Byram, Sag Harbor. L.I. which was read and filed.

On motion
Adjourned

David V. Culley, Prest.

Attest
D. B. Culley, Secy.

Regul Meeting

Council Chamber, Dec. 1, 1851

Council met. Present Messrs. Buchanan, Edwards, Woodward, Pitts, Durham & Culley President.

Minutes of Preceding meeting read and approved.

The Treasurer made the following report

General Fund

Nov. 1	To amt in Treasury Notes	$ 319.99	Nov. 29	By amt orders redeemed	)Prin.	$348.33
	Cash	31.50		" " " "	(Int.	11.19
" "	Cash received for license	55.00		" " St.Scrip		63.21
" 10	" " of Market Master	31.00		" " Amt in Treasury		422.73
	" " on Duplicate	430.95			Notes	319.99
		$808.44			Cash	125.72
						$868.44

School Fund

Nov. 1	In Treasury	98.48	Nov. 29	Orders redeemed	888	8.88
" 29	Collected in Dup	290.32	388.80 " "	C.M.Treasury		379.92
						388.80

Fire Engine Fund

Nov. 1	In Treasury	25.23	Nov. 29	In Treasury	142.14
" 29	Collected on Dup	116.91			
		142.14			

Town Clock Fund

Nov. 1	In Treasury	5.09	Nov. 29	In Treasury	28.49
" 29	Collected on Dup	23.40			
		28.49			

The Street Commissioner made the following report:

"To the City Council.

Your Street Commissioner reports that he has notified the property owners along Pennsylvania Street between Ohio and Michigan Streets of the order to grade and gravel or pave, on the 16th ult.

Upon the order of the City Council I called upon Wingate Henderson, and another person to collect the amount due the City for the dirt from the respective sidewalks and received from the Wingates $1.50 and nothing from the others.

The pavement on the North side of Washington St. between Meridian and Pennsylvania Streets has been renewed in a good and substantial manner, save in front of widow Phillip's property, which is under contract, and that between Meridian and Illinois streets, will be done I think without doubt.

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Mr. Holliday has neglected to finish grading and graveling sidewalk on East side of Block No.

Washington Street needs cleaning very badly especially the gutters on North side. The Council will direct the removal of the dirt from said gutters.

Kentucky Avenue has been graded and graveled according to contract and Secretary directed to issue orders according to the contract.

The gutter paved with boulders on Meridian Street South of Washington is in very bad condition owing to having been torn up for the laying down gas pipes.

I expended during the last month the following sums.

In First Ward	26.75	In Fifth Ward	14.50		
" Second "	11.00	" Sixth "	20.75		
" Third "	17.50	" Seventh "	6.75	$97.25	

Orders issue No:

372	Henry Siltmier	Labor	$ 7.50	
373	Henry Stumph	do	10.00	
374	Philip Socks	do	13.00	
375	Reinhold	do	2.25	
432	John Rock	do	2.50	
376	Geo.M.Butch	do	12.00	
377 to 381	Joseph Butch	do	30.00	$97.25

Accounts allowed

382	Henry Evils, to drayage of Lumber	3.70
383	Julius Nicholas, Sundries	4.76
384 to		
390	Elder & Harknep Printing	34.00
391	John Freeman amt paid to Treasury by M. hog sold	2.50

William Robson presented his resignation of the Station as Superintendent of Common School in 3d District; accepted, and

On Motion

L.H. Jamison was appointed in his stead

On Motion

Wm. Wallace was appointed a Superintendent of Common School in the first District.

On motion it was

Ordered That the Councilman in the 6th Ward be granted the privilege of purchasing two lots of E.Brunning for the sum of $1,000

Mr. Pitts made a motion,

"That twenty dollars be appropriated toward building a foot bridge across the Canal north side of Washington Street, lost by the following vote:

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Ayes - Durham, Edwards & Pitts
Noes - Woodward, Buchanan, & Culley

On motion it was

Resolved, That all claims presented on account of the Fire Department, and all papers relating thereto be referred to the Committee on the fire Department, with instructions to report some equitable mode of making appropriations of the Fire Tax funds".

On motion

Haman Moose was granted permit to sell ribbons etc. in the city in consideration of a fine of $10 levied against him by the Mayor.

On motion

$140 was appropriated to rebuild bridge across canal on Maryland Street.

Mr. Buchanan moved that Pogues Run be bridged on Alabama Street; lost.

On motion

The Committee on Streets and alleys were instructed to let the building of bridge on Maryland Street.

On motion it was
Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be directed to complete sidewalk on Alabama Street immediately opposite Holliday's property; and that he also remove the dirt upon Washington Street North between Pennsylvania & Meridian Streets.

On motion
392 $8.12 was allowed John Carlisle as the amt he claimed having been paid City, upon the sale of 5 hogs belonging to him by Marshal.

The Wendel & Haydn Society were granted permit to give a concert of vocal and instrumental music without license.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to furnish the Council at the next regular meeting, the amount of money worked out in each of the Several wards the present year.

On motion

Adjourned, to meet Saturday Evening.
Attest
Daniel B. Culley D.V.Culley,Prest

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City Council Chamber
December 6, 1851

Present Messrs Buchanan, Edwards, Pitt, Woodward & Culley President.
Minutes read and approved of former meeting
On motion

The Secretary was instructed to make a title bond to R.R.Underhill for lots Nos. 35 and 36 according to Washington Hall Company's subdivision on Square No. 98, being 25 feet each, for and in consideration of Seven hundred dollars, payable as follows: three hundred dollars payable January 1st 1852; and four hundred dollars payable January 1st. 1853, with interest.

The Committee on Revision of Ordinances reported on ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the collection of fines."

Which was, on motion

Ordained and established

And also "An Ordinance in relation to Nuisance" twenty eight sections were read and adopted.

On motion, Adjourned to meet Monday evening December 15th 1851.

D.V.Culley, Prest.

Attest: Daniel B. Culley, Secy. C.C.

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City Council Chambers.
December 15th 1851

Council met. But no quorum being present the Council adjourned to meet at regular meeting January 5th 1852.

Dan'l V. Culley,Prest

Attest

Daniel B. Culley Secy.

City Council Chamber
January 5th 1851

Council met. Present a full Council.

Minutes read and approved of former meetings.

The Treasurer made the following report; read and approved:

1851 Dr			General Fund 1851			Cr
Dec. 1	Amt in Treasury	$445.71		Dec. 31	Amt St.Scrip redeemed	$143.57	
" 5	Cash for fines per Mayor Newc	41.39		" " "	Gen.Order Redeemed	668.03	
" " "	of Baker family licen se	10.00		" " "	Interest Genl.O.C.	24.66	$836.26
" " " "	Fahir ofSira do	25.00		" "	By cash notes in Treasury	319.99	
" 31	Amount col. on Duplicate 1851	986.84		" " "	Bal on hand cash	362.41	682.40
" " " "	Del..Tax 1850	9.73	$1518.66				$1518.66

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1851 Dr School Fund 1851 Cr

Dec.	1	To amt. in Treasury	$379.92		Dec.	31	To amt Paid orders 8,12,13		$435.50
"	"	" Cash Notes on hand	700.00	$1079.92					
					"	"	" bal. in Treasury	$400.00	
"	31	" amt. collected on Dup.		612.95	"	"	" Cash	857.37	1257.37
				$ 1692.87					$1692.87

1851 Dr. Fire Engine Tax Fund Cr.

Dec.	1	To amt in Treasury	142.14		Dec.	31	By amt in Treasury	$ 393.23
"	31	" " col. on Dup.	251.09	$393.23				
		Amt. in Treasury	393.23					

Dr. Town Clock Fund Cr

Dec.	1	To Bal in Treasury	28.49		Dec.	31	By amt. in Treasury	80.87
"	31	" amt.col.on Dup.	52.38	$80.87				

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The Street Commissioner reported as follows; read and approved:

I have expended in 1st Ward	$ 5.50	in 2d. Ward	$ 12.25		
" 3d "	9.25	" 4th "	11.00		
" 5th "	.50	" 6th "	4.75		
" 7th "	7.00	Being a total of			$50.25

Orders issue No:

425	Philip Socks for	10½ days labor	$ 10.50	
426	Constance Wononie	7½ " "	7.50	
427	George M.Butch	1½ " "	1.50	
428	C.Decher	3 " "	3.00	
429	Abel Shaaf	1 " "	1.00	
430	Joseph Lackey	Plowing	3.00	
431	Joseph Butch	Carting 9½ days	23.75	$50.25

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Your Street Commissioner reports that he has notified the following persons to grade and gravel their respective Sidewalks fronting their property on Pennsylvania St. between New York & Michigan Streets; Dr. Patterson, W.C.Holliday, I.S.Pratt (grading finished) Sam'l Henderson, R.M.Patterson, Prof. Newell, and they have not complied with the requirements of the order.

Joseph Rutsch, St.Com.

On motion it was

Ordered That they be granted until April next to make such improvement as directed by the City Council heretofore.

Accounts

412	Allowed Little, Drumm & Anderson's	$ 4.80	for Drayage
413	" Jno D. Depress	28.50	Printing Bill No date
414	" James Cline	4.20	hauling gravel 4th Ward
415	" Ellis & Shaw	34.16½	printing bill no date
416	" A.Ballards	12.00	Seal of City for Secretary
417	" United Brethern	11.79	Advancement on Imp.N.I.St
409	" Cornelius King	195.00	Building Engine H.4 WardF.E.F.
418-422-433-450	James Wood	174.00	City Engineer
411	Wm.C.VanBlaricum	32.00	Rent of Engine House W.L.
423	S.W.Norris	133.00	" " " " R.Co.
424	B.R.Sulgrove	10.00	Secretary Marion Fire Co.
410	Andrew Heiner	20.00	" "
16	Henry S.Kellog	15.20	coal stove etc.School Fund

A.Graydon's acct for $ 16.52 referred no comm. on claims
I.P.Siddall's " " 4.90 " " " on fire Department

Reports of Committees

"The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred certain papers and instructions to report an equitable mode of appropriating the Fire Tax Fund would respectfully report. That the city should first pay all rent due by said companies and then make such appropriations as the Council from time to time may think proper.

N. Edwards)
C. Woodard) Comm.
Thomas Buchanan)

The Committee on Streets, alleys, etc. reported the letting of Bridge over Canal on Maryland Street to Martin L. Coyner for the sum of eighty dollars to be completed within a reasonable time. Report accepted.

The Secretary reported the expenses in the Several Wards by the Street Commissioner for the last nine months ending Dec. 31, 1851 for improvements as follows: In 1st Ward $232.06, 2d Ward $177.14, in 3d Ward $191.92, in 4th Ward $116.62; in 5th Ward $106.80; in 6th Ward $135.62; in 7th Ward $198.20. Being a total of $1178.36.

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Also the number of interments in City Cemetery for month ending December 31, 1851 as eight (8) and for the Six months subsequent ending same date as one hundred and eighty five (185).

Mr. Edwards offerred for adoption the following Preamble and Resolution.

"Whereas In the opinion of the City Council of Indianapolis the present tax of fifteen (15) cents on the $100 worth of taxable property for general purposes is insufficient to meet the current expenses of the city and make the improvements necessary for the comfort and welfare of the citizens; And

Whereas, The City is involved hopelessly in debt, under the present rate of taxation for general purposes, and that we are paying interest on all outstanding orders; And

Whereas The City Council have to pay at least twenty five per cent more for all work done than if paid for in cash. Therefore,

Be it resolved that the City Council petition the Legislature to so amend the City Charter, as to give the City Council the power to levy an annual of tax for general purposes sufficient to meet the necessary and economical expenses of the City, and gradually to extinguish the public debt, and that the Secretary be directed to present a petition to the legislature, praying the above amendment, together with this preamble and resolution."

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes - Messrs Edwards, Durham, Woodward & Culley 4
Noes - " Buchanan, Louden & Pitts 3

On motion it was

Resolved That the Secretary ascertain the amount of Labor done by the City of Indianapolis on sidewalks which owners neglected to pay and also the persons names against whom the same should be assessed and report the same at next meeting.

On motion it was
Resolved, That all persons having accounts against this city Council be requested to present them at the next meeting for allowance.

The Petition of H.M.Stone for reduction of license was laid on table.

On motion, the sum of Ten dollars was allowed Mr. Kisler as the amt of a fine assessed against him by the Mayor.

On motion adjourned

Attest David V.Culley Prest
Daniel B.Culley,Secy.

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City Council Chamber
January 10th 1852

Council met upon a call of the President:
Present Messrs Durham, Edwards, Louden, Pitts, Woodward & Culley
President.
The Secretary presented the following communication from A.F.Shortridge, Treasurer of the City:

To the City Council.

It becomes my duty to announce to you the loss by the fire of this morning of the following named books belonging to my office."The Tax Duplicate for the year 1851 ." "The Assessors Return for the same year and the "Record of orders presented to the Treasurer for payment and endorsed by him and on which interest is now accruing.

Respectfully etc.
January 10th 1852 A.F.Shortridge pr Cy

Mr. Louden offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution.

Whereas by the disastrous fire on Washington Street on this Saturday morning, January 10th the books, papers and records of the Treasurer of the city Council were destroyed, therefore,

Be it Recolved that there be a committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the City, which the destruction of the said records seem to make indispensably necessary, and that said Committee be authorized by this Council to prepare as full a statement as can be made and report to the Council at their earliest convenience.

Resolved further, That the committee be authorized to procure suitable books for the use of the Treasurer of the City, and that the committee be empowered to require any information of any of the citizens of Indianapolis; to aid said committee in the discharge of their duties. And further that the committee be authorized to supply the late assessor to make a copy of the assessment roll as returned by him last year."

Which was on motion adopted.
Messrs. Louden, Pitts & Woodward were appointed said committee.

Mr. Pitts offered for adoption the following resolution:
"Resolved, That there be a committee appointed to regulate the Salaries of City Officers and assign to each their respective duties." Adopted.
The Committee of Ways & Means were so appointed.

Mr. Pitts offered for adoption the following resolution:
"Resolved, That the Committee on the Fire Department be instructed to procure a suitable stove with necessary quantity of pipe for the Western Liberties Engine House to be paid for from the Fire Engine Fund".
Adopted.

Mr. Woodward offered for adoption the following resolution:

Whereas, it has become customary for the members of the O. K. Bucket Company at every fire that occurs in this city to become intoxicated and disturb the peace and quiet of

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the city by their drunken orgies; Therefore,
Resolved, That the Committee on the Fire Department be instructed to inquire into the expediency of disbanding said Company". Adopted.

The account of Jacob Miller for $16.10 was referred,on motion, to the Committee on Claims.

On motion adjourned. David V. Culley,Prest.
Attest, Daniel B. Culley, Secy.

City Council Chamber
February 2d. 1852

City Council met. Present a full Council.
Minutes of preceding mettings read and approved.
The Treasurer made the following monthly report.

Date 1852	General Fund						
Jany. 1	Amount in Treasury - Notes	$ 319.99		Jany 31	By orders redeemed Principal	$555.15	
	Genl Fund	362.41	682.40	" " "	" " Interest	17.71	$572.86
" 8	Collected on Duplicates 1851		441.35	" " "	Street Script redeemed		84.51
" "	James Gentle, auction license		35.00	" " "	Notes on hand	319.99	
			1158.75	" " "	Cash " "	181.39	501.38
							1158.75

School Fund						
Jany. 1	Amt. in Treasury, Notes	400.00	Jany. 31	By cash paid orders		315.20
" 1 "	" " Cash	857.07 $1257.57	" " " "	in Treasury Notes	400.00	
" 31 "	collected on duplicates	309.06	" " " "	" " Cash	851.25	1251.23
		1566.43				1566.43

Fire Engine Fund					
Jany. 1	Amt. in Treasury	393.23	Jany. 31	By amt. paid orders	257.00
" 9 "	col. on Dups.	124.60	" "	in Treasury	260.83
		517.83			517.83

Town Clock					
Jany 1	Amt. in Treasury	80.87	Jany. 31	In treasury	105.56
" 1 "	Bal. on dup.	24.69			
		105.56			
					105.56

The Street Commissioners reported as follows:

"Labor performed in 4th Ward by Conrad Decker		$1.00	
" " " 6th " " " "		.50	1.50
Upon Wm.Holliday's sidewalk labor to amount of		24.50	24.50
Orders Issue to, John Stumph	$2.50		
Philip Socks	4.00		
C.Decker	4.00		
A.Shaaf	4.00		
Joseph Butsch	10.00	24.50	24.50
George Stumph to sharpening tools corporation purposes			1.50

February 1, 1852 Joseph Butsch. St.Comm.

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Accounts allowed

Delzell & Tyler, 1 Tax Duplicate, 1 Assessor's book			$ 24.00	
Ross & Ray, Stationery			15.23	
Robert Greenfield, Bill of Lumber Market House			8.50	
A.Graydon, Bill to date, Dec. 27, 1851			12.27	
Martin Cozner, Bridge in 5th Ward across Canal on Maryland st.			80.00	
Sims A.Colley, Nuisances 6.25, and paid professional services rendered		$15.00	21.25	$161.25
Fire Department: Western Liberties Fire Company				
I.W.Buckheart, painting Engine H.	35.18			
R.L.McCuat, stoves, etc.	27.63		62.81	
Relief Company, bills to amt			92.20	
Marion Company			19.05	173.06

Reports of Committees

The committee on Claims , Mr.Pitts Chairman, reported the bill of A.Graydon as correct and recommended its payment

And it was according allowed, amounting to ($12.27) as above.

The committee on claims reported adverse to allowing Jacob Miller's acct and recommending the account to lay on table. Concurred in.

Mr. Edwards from committee on Fire Department made following report,

"The Committee on Fire Department to whom was referred a claim of John Carlisle for $157.91 for repairs on Western Liberties Engine, reports that in their opinion the claim should be allowed.

N.Edwards) Comm
Thomas Buchanan(

The question being, on concurring in report, the ayes and noes were called which resulted as follows:

Ayes - Messrs Edwards, Pitts & Buchanan 3
Noes - Messrs Woodward, Louden, Durham & Culley 4

So the report was not concurred in.

(This acct is one which accrued during the independence of said company for repair to begin).

Petitions presented

From Relief Engine Company asking appropriation for purchase of hose for use of Engine;

On motion

Resolved That the committee on Fire Department be instructed to procure ~~900 feet~~ of good hose for the different companies, provided the same can be purchased so as to be paid for when the fire tax is collected; Said hose to be divided between the companies as the Council may think proper.

From O.K.Bucket Company asking for fifty buckets, referred to committee on Fire Department

From David Williams to erect frame building within the forbidden district on Washington street. Not granted.

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Secretary's Report

The lots Nos. 35 & 36 in Block No. 98 purchased by City Council in 1849, for the purpose of erecting a school house in 6th Ward, being considered unsuitable for the purpose, because of its proximity to an iron foundry and steam boiler manafactory, was directed to be sold by the Council Dec.6, 1851, which has been according done by the Councilman of 6th Ward for the sum of $700 (being an advance of $300 on cost) to R.R. Underhill who paid $300 in hand and gave note for $400. payable in one year with interest from 1st January 1852. Gave Underhill title Bond.

Mr. Woodward selected in lieu of the lots sold, lots 3 & 4 according to Edmund Browning Subdivision of Out Block North for which City Council has allowed $1000. $600 being paid on purchase and an order on School Fund for $400 payable January 1st 1853 with interest. A deed was given for said lots, and has been recorded in Recorder's Office."

City Indebtedness

Nov. 1	Outstanding Orders	$3,880.99		
Feby.1	Issued during quarter ending Jany. 1, 1852	1,156.26	$5037.25	
" 1	Redeemed " " "		1204.65	$ 3832.60
Nov. 1	Street Script Outstanding	3,559.68		
Feby.1	" " issued during quarter	137.48	3,697.16	
" 1	Redeemed " "		222.33	3474.83
	City Indebtedness			$ 7307.43

Your Secretary would report the following issues as due the city for labor done by the persons mentioned.

James Blake, for opening gutters and removing dirt from Virginia avenue	$ 4.00
W.A.Holliday for improving sidewalk	24.50
Henderson " " "	4.00
Haynes " " "	2.00

On motion

Adjourned

David V. Culley, Prest.

Attest

Daniel B.Culley,Secy

Council Chamber
March 1, 1852

City Council met. Present a full Council.
Minutes of preceeding meeting read and approved.
The Treasurer report as follows, was read and accepted

General Fund in Treasury			By amt orders redeemed	Prin.	$ 489.73	
Notes	$ 291.95		" " " "	Int.	54.37	$ 544.10
Cash	181.39	$ 473.34	" " St. Script			44.33
Rec'd from M.Master		21.50	" " In Treasury - Notes		291.95	
" " License		5.00			142.36	434.31
" " Duplicate		494.65				$ 1022.74
		$ 1022.74				$ 1022.74
School Fund, In Treasury						
Notes	400.00		By amt. in Treasury	Note	400.00	
Cash	851.23	1251.23		Cash	1170.41	$ 1570.41
Collected on Dup		319.18				
		1570.41				$ 1570.41
Fire Engine & Town Clock						
In Treasury		260.83	By amt paid orders			307.06
Collected on Dup		152.63	" " in Treasury			106.40
		$413.46				$413.46
Town Clock In Treasury	105.51					

February 28, 1852

A.F.Shortridge, Treasurer

Street Commissioners Report

I have performed labor in the different wards as follows during the month of February:

In 1st Ward	$ 8.00	
" 2d "	7.25	
" 3d "	6.00	
" 4th "	6.62	
" 5th "	3.50	
" 6th "	4.00	$ 35.37

Orders issue to

A. Shaaf 6½ days labor	6.50	
C.Breckemier 7 " "	7.00	
Jos.Butsch 8-3/4 "		
2 H.Z.C	21.87	$35.37

Mr. A.A.Louden hauled 37 loads of gravel in 3d Ward at 35 cents per load amounting to $ 12.95

I.S.Butsch St,Com

Accepted and amount allowed as per report

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Accounts presented

James VanBlaricum for 5 scrapers $ 1.75 each	$ 5.25	
L.D.Wright 2.55;W.Cline 3.12; Wm.Eaton 4.75 Wm.Bones 5.87; hogs sold	17.29	
L.VanLaningham appraisers service	75.00	
Culley & Walker, lumber account	2.26	$ 99.80
All of which were allowed		
Jacob Miller for extra Service as M.M. to 1st May	50.00	
Not allowed but on motion		
Jacob Miller was allowed for extra service as M.M. for 3 mo	25.00	25.00
		124.80

Report of Committees

The President to whom the subject had been referred laid before the Council the following report:

That in accordance with instructions from the Council, dated the 25th of November authorizing the sale of the School lot owned by the City in the 2d Ward, and the purchase of another lot better suited for the purpose designed, he had made arrangements with Wm. H.Campbell for the purchase of lots Nos. 4, 5, & 6 in Henderson's Subdivision of Square No.17

containing half an acre for the sum of $1000 of which $325 is payable down and the balance in three equal yearly payments of $225 each, commencing with the 21st of June next. The first payment of $325 to be made to said William H. Campbell on the execution of a deed for said lots; and $675, the balance to R. J. Gattling who holds the notes of said Campbell for a like amount and a mortgage on said premises to secure the payment of the same at the times above stated. The City Council to execute a bond to said Campbell to pay said Gattling the said sum of $675 as the same becomes due, and to keep said Campbell free from Expense or trouble in and about the same.

The undersigned has not considered it advisable to offer the school lot already owned by the City in the Second Ward for sale believing that it can be better disposed of at some future time.

The undersigned herewith presents two resolutions to the Council to carry out the object contemplated in the foregoing report.

Very respectfully submitted,

David V. Culley

Resolved that the purchase of lots numbered 4, 5, and 6 in square 17, as above stated, be and the same is hereby confirmed, and that the Secretary be authorized to draw an order on the School fund in favor of Wm. H. Campbell for the sum of $325 on the presentation of a deed in fee simple for the said lots.

Resolved, That the City Attorney be requested to prepare a bond, the President to sign and seal, and the Secretary to attest and deliver the same to said William H. Campbell, to secure the punctual payment of the balance of the said one thousand dollars, as the same becomes due to said R. J. Gatling,

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as stated in the foregoing report. Which were, on motion adopted.

On motion, ordered, That the Secretary be authorized to grant to Mr. Thomas V. Coffy peddlers license upon the payment of $2.00.

Petitions Presented

Mr. Thomas B. Dunn, appeared and prayed the Council to remit the amount of six judgments rendered against him by the Mayor also for a like revision for judgments against Robert B. Dunn because of violation of ordinance in retailing liquors.

Mr. Louden offered for adoption the following:

Whereas, Vindictive justice is not our aim, but the good of the City is our object, and a due respect to the ordinance being now affected, without the payment of the fines assessed against Messrs Dunn by the Mayor, they having quit the traffic; Therefore,

Be it resolved, That the amounts of six judgments of the City against Thomas B. & Robert Dunn, for a violation of the ordinance by retailing liquors be remitted by the City Council.

Which was adopted by the following vote

Ayes - Messrs Buchanan, Edwards, Pitts, Dunham & Louden 5
Noes - " Woodward & Culley 2

The Indiana Central Railway Company presented the following petition;

"To the City Council of Indianapolis:
The Indiana Central Railway Company respectfully represent that they have located said Railway so far as it runs through the City of Indianapolis, as follows, towit: commencing at the East end of Maryland Street and running thence west along the middle of said Maryland Street to within a short distance of the present bed of Pogue's Run and thence by an easy curve Southward across Pogue's Run till it falls into the Union Railroad track, and thence to the Depot building in the vicinity of said Union Railroad Track some place East of Delaware Street. And said Company petition your honorable body under the provisions of the ordinance in such cases made and provided, for permission to construct said Road along the route aforesaid, and to run their locomotives and cars there, and also ask the privilege of excavating and raising such places in said route as shall be necessary to said Company for the construction of their said Road. The Company on its part agreeing to build such bridge or bridges across Pogue's Run, and make such culverts as may be necessary to said Company or to the City by reason of the construction of said Road in the City. all of which is respectfully submitted.

John S. Newman, P.I.C.R.Company)
Thos.P.Tyner, J.B.Sandusky (Directors
Wm. Sullivan)

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Also the following, from Lawrenceburg & Upper Mississippi Railroad Company:

To the City Council of Indianapolis:

The Lawrenceburgh and Mississippi Railroad Company respectfully represent that they have located the said Railroad so far as it runs through the City of Indianapolis, as follows, towit;

Commencing on the donation line at the east end of Louisiana Street and running thence west along and upon said Louisiana street to its intersection with the east line of Block No. 99 ninety-nine, on which Block the Depot of the Company is esTablished and also from the west line said Block 99 on Delaware Street on such a line of crossing of Delaware and Pennsylvania Streets as will connect with the Union Track between said Pennsylvania Street and Meridian Street. And said Company pray your honorable Body, under the provision of the ordinance in such cases made and provided for permission to contract said Road along the route aforesaid, and to run their cars and locomotives there on; and also ask the privilege of excavating and raising such places in said route, so far as said Streets are concerned as shall be necessary to Said Company for the construction of said road; the said Company on its part agreeing to build such bridging across Pogue's Run, and make such culverts as may become necessary to said Company or to the City by reason of the construction of said road to the City. The object of this Railroad Company is to effect a direct Railroad communication between this City and Cincinnati.

Respectfully submitted,

George H. Dunn, President

Indianapolis, March 1, 1852

On motion, Friday evening the 9th inst was appointed as the time for the meeting of the Council to take into consideration the above petitions, at which time remonstrances, if presented in writing, will be received.

Also, the following petition from Nath'l West, agent. March 1st 1852.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Indianapolis,

Gentlemen:

I would respectfully represent to your honorable body that in the year 1847 in conversation with Mr. S.S.Rooker; then one of the Council, upon the subject of the Streets and roads of the City, I was induced to have graded and graveled a portion of the road opposite the property of J.M.Ray and others and next adjoining the bridge at the crossing of the Michigan Road over the Central Canal. The cost of said grading and graveling according to the certificate of Mr.Wood, City Surveyor, and which was paid by me to J.P.Michael on the 2d of November 1847 was of($40.73) forty dollars and seventy three cents. For this amount no script has been issued, for the reason that shortly after the completion of said work, I ascertained that I had misunderstood Mr.Rooker in regard to the application of scrip issued for such work, and that it must be applied upon

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the taxes upon property along which the work was done and not indiscrim-

inately upon any property in the city. Having been actuated by motives having the good of the City at heart in making said improvement, and having actually paid out the full amount of the City Surveyor's estimate of ($40.73) forty dollars and seventy three cents for said work, I would respectfully ask of your honorable body that I be allowed to apply the amount in any way that in your wisdom may seem proper and right, upon the property within the City limits belonging to the estate of Nathaniel West, dec'd, and "your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray".

Very respectfully,

Natl West, Agent

On motion by Mr.

Ordered, That the Secretary issue Street Scrip upon the property apposite to which the improvement above mentioned, was made to be given N. West.

On motion by Mr.Woodward it was

Resolved That the Councilman in the 2d, 4th & 6th Wards be instructed to receive proposals during the present month for the erection of School houses in Ward No. 2, 4 and 6th on a plan similar to those already erected in the other wards, and report the same to the Council at the next meeting.

On Motion, It was
Ordered, That the Marshal procure the City map in possession of Luke Munsell.

On motion

Adjourned to meet on the 19th

Attest

Daniel B.Culley Secy David V.Culley Prest

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City Council Chamber
March 19, 1852

Council met. Present Messrs Durham, Buchanan, Woodward, Edwards and Culley, President.

The minutes of former meeting were, on motion, not read.

The petition of Lawrenceburg and Upper Mississippi Railway Company received at last regular meeting was read, when the following remonstrances were received.

"To the City Council of the City of Indianapolis:

The undersigned, being owners of freehold estates situate upon Louisiana Street between East and Alabama Streets of said City would respectfully represent unto your honorable body that the Lawrenceburg & Upper Mississippi Railroad Company, have, by their President, George H.Dunn, petitioned your honorable body to grant said Company the right of way to lay their track and run their cars along the said Louisiana Street between the points aforesaid, towit: East of Louisana Street; Against the granting of which said petition and their prayer, therefore, the undersigned would respectfully remonstrat for the following, amongst other reason: 1st The right of way along said Street between the points aforesaid and the occupation thereof for the purpose aforesaid by said Railroad Company will endanger life; 2d, There is no street south of Washington street south of Washington street in the city of Indianapolis except said Louisiana streets that runs through to the elevation line from Alabama street; 3d, If said right of way is granted to said Company it will amount to a vacation of said street: 4th It will materially injure the value of the several pieces of property owned by your remonstrants on said streets between the points aforesaid, and your remonstrants aver that without a single exception the signers hereto have aquited said property as mechanics or day laborers who are of but humble means; 5th Said Louisiana Streets between Alabama and East Streets is but ninety (90) feet wide and if the track of said road is run upon and along said Louisiana Streets it will prevent all egress and ingress to or from said property so owned by your remonstrants; 6th Most of the property owned on said Streets by your remonstrants is occupied "for" dwellings, and if the prayer of the petitioner herein is granted, said property will be rendered wholly and utterly unfit for residences; 7th the law of the land provides no remedy or tribunal by means or before which they can recover damages for the injuries by said road inflicted upon them. And your remonstrants respectfully suggest as a principle of justice that if said Company are to be benefited by that which work an injury to your remonstrants they should pay a consideration for the benefit. Your remonstrants further suggest that the said City of Indianapolis is the owner of said Louisiana street, and that your remonstrants purchased and improved their property on said street believing and expecting as they had a right to believe and expect, that the City would protect them in the enjoyment of all those privileges which were the causes moving them to invest the fruits of their labor of economy

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in said property. Your remonstrants further suggest that the property of which they are owners on said street is improved property, in some cases if not all of trible the value of the unoccupied lots on said Streets between the points aforesaid. And your remonstrants aver that on said Streets

between the points aforesaid there is one hundred and fifty feet & six inches of unimproved property. And your remonstrants here aver that in the exhibition of this remonstrance they are not moved by a feeling of hostility to said Company, or to said as a road, but simply as a just protection to themselves and their families in proof whereof they hereby proffer to sell or trade to said Railroad Company their said property for a reasonable equivalent.

George Youngerman	40 feet	Wm. Montague	118.8 ft
D.W.Pigg	50.6 "	I.Belles	50.6 "
S.P.Daniels	192.8 "	Samuel H. Vandeman	50.6 "
I.P.Childers	50.6 "	Conrad Genert	195 "
Druzilla Ferguson	189.0 "	Mary Cannon	195. "
			1132.4

Also the following remonstrance:

To the City Council of the City of Indianapolis

The undersigned citizens of said city and residents upon or property holders upon the part of Louisiana Street East of East Street in said city up to Noble street, would respectfully remonstrate before and pray your honorable body not to grant the prayer contained in the petition of the President and Directors of the Lawrenceburg and Upper Mississippi Railroad Company wherein they pray for the right of way to lay the track of said road and run their cars upon and over the following property, commencing on the Donation line at the East end of Louisiana Street, and running thence west along and upon said street to where said Louisiana street intersects with and runs into East Street. And your remonstrants would amongst others exhibit the following reasons which move them to the presentation of this remonstrance. 1st Said Louisiana street east of said East Street is but forty feet wide; therefore the granting of the said right of way will amount to a vacation of said street; 2dly On account of said width of said street between the points aforesaid, if said right of way is granted it will materially lessen the the value of your remonstrants said property, and will forever prevent and cut off all ingress, egress and regress in, from and to the same; 3dly There is no alley or other street through or upon which many of your remonstrants can obtain access to their property; 4thly It will endanger life, wherefore, your remonstrants hope that so much of said petition as is above set forth may not be granted. And they in duty bound will ever pray, etc.

Andrew Smith	100 ft.	Wm.Hughey	140 ft.	Samuel Chapman	40 ft
Geo.W.Buchanan	65 "	W.A.Adams	400 "	W.Brueggerman	98½"
WashingtonSmith	51 "	John McCollum	51 "	Henry Koller	70 "
John Menteith	101 "	Christian Harmaing	35	Q.P.Childers	51 "
W.Kucker	98½-6	W.Keleiy	35 ft	S.Peters	65 "

On motion

The petition of Indiana Central Railway Company was read and the following remonstrance was received and read,

" To the City Council of Indianapolis

The undersigned owners of land fronting on Maryland Street East of Delaware Street in the City of Indianapolis, very respectfully represent that they are opposed to the location of the tracks of the Indiana Central Railway Company in said Maryland Street, as prayed for by that Company in their petition now pending before your Honorable Body and chiefly from the following considerations:

The grade of said Railway as now established will cause cuts on said Maryland Street ranging from one foot to sixteen feet in depth; and owing to the width of said street being but forty (40) feet its use will be wholly unavailable for ordinary purpose without great expense on the part of the City in grading the streets and alleys which cross it North and South. There is now no safe or practicable carriage way from Washington Street to the Streets South of it between East Street and the alley which divides Out Blocks Nos. 77 & 78. Noble Street being rendered entirely useless on account of the grade of said Railway track at the point, being something like sixteen feet in depth. An inspection of a map of the city will show at a glance the great inconvenience now suffered by persons in the North East and South East portions of the city for the want of properly graded streets South of Washington Street, and the increase of the inconvenience which must necessarily result from the proposed location of the Said Indiana Central Railway on Maryland Street.

The undersigned beg further to represent to your honorable Body that it is not, in their opinion, in accordance with the policy heretofore observed by the city in regard to Railroad tracks, to allow them to approach in parallel lines so near to the great thoroughfares of the City, and particularly Washington Street, as is now prayed for by said Railroad Company, and they must insist on the location being made where less injury will result to owners of property. Such location can be made as the undersigned think, by said Company commencing on the Donation line at the East end of Louisiana Street and running as near parallel as may be with the tracks of the Lawrenceburgh and Upper Mississippi Railroad Company, as prayed for in their petition now pending before your Honorable Body. The undersigned have every reason to believe that this location can be made without involving the city in heavy expense for grading the streets crossed by the Railroad track, and without such ruinous deterioration of the value of property as must ensue if the location is made on Maryland Street.

In view of the great injury of the property of the undersigned, the increased expense of grading streets imposed upon the City Council; and the selfevident fact that Roads approaching so nearly together as those

above referred to should be located in the

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city as nearly together as possible both for the pecuniary interests and the personal security of citizens; the undersigned respectfully but earnestly remonstrate against the location of the said Indiana Central Railway on Maryland Street; and they pray that your Honorable Body will not grant the right of way thereon as set forth in the petition of the said Indiana Central Railway Company. Indianapolis, March 18, 1852

Owners of property	No. feet fronting on Maryland Street			
Chas.W.Cady	Out Lot No.	77		210 feet
John Kelley	do "	89	Lots Nos 1 & 2	98 "
Edward Greenleaf	do "	78		210 "
West & Reynolds	do "	98	Lots Nos.3 & 4	98 "
G.B.Scribner	do "	98	" " 7 & 8	98 "
L.M.Vance	do "	79 & 80		410
H.Bates	do "	89 & 90 & East part No.89	)	
Same	do "	75 & 76	)	1758 "
William Sonefield	do "	86		410 "
John Kelcher	do "	98	Lot No.5	48
John Heinn	do "	74		409 "
Obed Foote	do "	81 & 82		410 "
			Total	4159 feet

On motion by Mr.Woodward The petitions and remonstrances were laid upon the Table.

The following account was presented by Marshall.
"Out of expense scraping Washington Street and carting of the dirt $97.25
Amounts to issue to the underwritten names:

512 John P. Michael	$12.75	
504 Christian Coleman	10.25	
508 Edward Byran	7.50	
507 John Bryan	8.50	
509 Daniel Sullivan	7.00	
505 James Connell	13.00	
503 Larry Kennedy	15.00	
510 P.Cahill	10.00	
506 Wm. Vail	13.25	$97.25

Which accounts were allowed

B & E. Buehing's petition for remission of fines assessed against him by the Mayor for selling of liquors, was, on motion, laid on table.

Mr. Holliday's petition for the privilege of grading in front of lots mentioned, was, on motion, Referred to committee on streets and alleys.

On motion, adjourned to meet on tomorrow Saturday evening.

Attest Daniel P.Culley Secy David V.Culley, Prest.

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City Council Chamber
Saturday Mar. 20, 1852

Council present, Messrs Buchanan, Durham, Edwards, Pitts, Woodward & Culley, President. Mr. Louden absent, reported sick.

On motion

The petition and remonstrances for and against Indiana Central Railway Company & Lawrenceburg & Upper Mississippi Railway Company were taken from the table.

And after being considered for some length of time, was, on motion, laid over for further consideration on Friday evening next.

On motion, adjourned to meet again on Friday evening next.

Attest Daniel B.Culley, Secy C.C. David V.Culley, Prest.

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City Council Chamber
March 26, 1852

Council met. present Messrs Edwards, Buchanan, Durham, Louden, Pitts, Woodward and Culley, Prest.

The President stated the object of the meeting to be the consideration of the petition for remonstrances against the right of way of the Indiana Central Railway Company & Lawrenceburg and Upper Mississippi Railroad Company upon and along certain Streets named in said city.

On motion

John H. Bradley, Esq. was permitted to address the Council on the petition of the Central Railway Company.

Cady appeared for remonstrants

After the matter was discussed by the gentlemen named

On motion
The Council proceeded to the consideration of L & U M RR Co. petition . Jas. M.Ray appeared for Company. John Quaeles appeard for Remonstrants. After a few remarks by these gentlemen, Mr.Buchanan offered for adoption, the following resolution,

"Whereas, The Lawrenceburg and Upper Mississippi Rail Road Company have petitioned the City Council for the right of ways through Louisiana Street West from the donation line, terminating at Alabama Street; And, whereas, the property holders on said portion of the street believing such right,if granted, would work a serious injury to them by depreciating the value of their property have remonstrated against it; And that justice may be done to both parties;

Be it resolved by the City Council of Indianapolis that the said right of way cannot be granted, until it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Council that the matter has been satisfactorily arranged with the property holders along the road is proposed to be run;

Which resolution was not adopted.

On motion
The names of Wm. Montague, Conrad Gemmer & Samuel Vanderman with the number of feet signed by each were stricken from the remonstrance making a reduction of 364.2 feet remonstrating having sold the said property.

On motion
The remonstrance of Miss Druzilla Furgason, was received for only 63-3/12 feet, making a reduction in feet remonstrating altogether of 490-8/12 feet.

Leaving upon remonstrant 642-5/12 feet being 103-9/12 less than one half of whole number of feet within East Street.

The following resolution was offered for adoption by Mr.Woodward. Resolved, That the Lawrenceburg and Mississippi Railroad Company be allowed to lay their track on Louisiana street according to the petition of said Railroad Company provided they shall conform to the City grade and put

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and keep the same in good order by planking or graveling same street so as not to interfere with the free passage of wagons and teams; And, provided

also, that they shall purchase sufficient property on each side of said street to make the same (80) eighty feet wide, and shall as soon as they occupy the street, cause the same to be opened to the said width of Eighty (80) feet at their own expense; and in the enlargement of the said street the said Company shall be allowed to make the same mainly on the South side if it be found in consequence thereof less injurious to the property holders thereof to do so. The above resolution not to take effect until an ordinance be passed on the subject. Which was adopted.

Mr. Louden offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas The Rail Roads approaching this city from Richmond and Lawrenceburg propose to enter respectively on Maryland and Louisiana streets. And, whereas, from the narrowness of those streets at their Eastern end, and the necessary cuts required for the grades of such roads in connecting with the grade of the other Railroads in the city, the property of citizens on such streets must be seriously injured, and whereas the citizens owning the whole line of property at the East end of Maryland street, unammously remonstrate against the use of said street for a Railroad, while the citizens owning a large portion of the property on Louisiana street, make no objection to such street being used for Railroad location, and the others although remonstrating against such location, yet express an earnest wish to sell their property on said street on terms disinterested persons mutually chosen shall deem fair and just; And, whereas, said Louisiana Street is paasable with the opposite the Terre Haute Railways entering such street on the west, with the general passenger Depot on such street, and also intersects on its line the Depot heretofore purchased by the Lawrenceburg Company, who have received a deed therefrom from Mr. McCarty; And, whereas, there is no difficulty in the Richmond Road entering the city also on Louisiana Street if it is ordered and getting a location for a Depot north of that of the other Roads, and having an easy access to the Union Track;

Therefore, it is ordered, conformably to the unanimous wish of the owners of property on the East end of Maryland Street, and with the interests of the city as to be affected by the entry of this road, that Maryland Street at its eastern end at the Donation line, or west thereof, shall not be used by the Indiana Central Railway Company.

Ordered, that the subject of the entry of such roads shall be postponed for two weeks for giving time for amicable arrangements in its behalf. Which was not adopted.

Mr. Woodward offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved That the Indiana Central Railway Company be and they are hereby permitted to locate and construct on and along Maryland Street, through the city, from the eastern side thereof to the Union track Railway on or near East Street; provided they conform to the city

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grade, and otherwise conform to the ordinance in such cases made and provided also, that they purchase from the owners sufficient grounds to make the same 80 feet wide. Provided this resolution shall not take effect until an ordinance be passed on the subject. Which was adopted.

On motion, A committee of three were appointed to draft ordinances to carry into effect the object of the above resolutions.

Messrs Woodward, Pitts & Culley were appointed said committee.

On motion Council Adjourned.

Attest
Daniel B. Culley, Secy. David V. Culley, Prest.

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City Council Chamber
March 31, 1851

Council met. present Messrs Louden, Edwards, Buchanan, Durham, Pitts, Woodward, and Culley, President.

Minutes read and approved.

The President stated the object of the meeting to be to take into consideration the propriety of altering the plan and specification of the City School houses presented by the committee appointed to receive bids upon said work. But before proceeding to the consideration of the subject,

On motion of Mr. Pitts

"The Committee on City Schools were instructed to procure a suitable table, and a sufficient number of chairs for each and every school house built by the city".

On motion by Mr. Woodward.

Mathew Tracy upon payment of five dollars to city Treasurer be permitted to peddle goods in the city for three months."

On motion it was

"Resolved, That the committee on Streets and alleys be directed to examine the bridge over Pogue's Run at the crossing of Meridian Street South, and ascertain whether the same can be repaired, and made safe, or whether a new bridge is necessary. And if it can be repaired to do so, but in case they are of opinion that a new bridge is necessary to advertise for bids and report the same to this Council.

Oliver Rice's acc/t for repairing well in 3d Ward amounting to $7.00 was, on motion, referred to committee on wells.

On motion, the following resolution with the preamble was adopted:

"Whereas This Council is of opinion that the brick walls of the house fronting next to the alley forming part of the house lately occupied by Messrs Tomlinson as a Drug Store, and destroyed by the late fire, is in a dangerous condition, and likely to fall, thereby endangering life, therefore

"Ordered That the Marshal notify said Tomlinson to take down or secure said walls immediately and in the event they fail or refuse so to do to cause the same to be secured or pulled down, as may be thought best, at the expense of the owners of said property."

On motion by Mr. Buchanan, the following preamble and resolution was adopted.

"Whereas The damages done by Railroad is mainly owing to the depth of cut or height of embankment caused by said road, therefore

"Resolved That the Central Railroad and the Lawrenceburg and Cincinnati Railroad (Companies) be required to furnish the City Engineer with the grade of said Road as far as they are located in this city. And that the City Engineer be requested to examine said road and ascertain whether that portion of the city

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can be graded to conform to the grade of said road and report the same to the Council at as early a period as possible".

On motion by Mr. Edwards,

"The committee, appointed to receive bids for School House were instructed to receive bids on the plan and specification presented, with the understanding that the City Council reserves to itself the privilege of making such alterations or amendments as may in their judgment be proper and right".

On motion Council adjourned

Attest Daniel B.Culley,Secy. David V.Culley, Prest.

City Council Chambers
April 5, 1852

As Thursday was election day the Council had determined on adjourning over till tomorrow evening. And according

Adjourned

Attest

Daniel B. Culley, Secy

David V. Culley, Prest.

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City Council Chambers
April 6, 1851

Council met. Present a full Council.
Minutes read and approved
The Treasurer's report, as follows, read and adopted.

Mar. 1	In Treasury, G.Fund Notes		291.95	Mar. 31	By amt orders redeemed		$ 1220.72
" "	General Fund		142.36		" " Interest on orders		43.88
" 3	Cash for License forConcert		40.00		" " St.Scrip redeemed		242.44
" "	" " W.H.Holliday's SideW.		24.50		" " In Treasury Notes		263.70
" 4	" " I.Petty's Note & Int		28.25		" " Cash		354.00
" "	" " Tracy Lic.Ped.Goods		5.00				
" 31	Collected on Duplicate		1592.68				
			$2124.74				$2124.74

Mar 1	In Treasury. S.Fund Notes		400.00	Mar 31	In Treasury - Note	400.00
" "	" " do	Cash	1170.41	" "	" " Cash	1892.43
" 31	Col. in Duplicate		1047.02	" "	By paid order	325.00
			2617.43			2617.43

Mar 1	In Treasury, F & T.C. Cash	106.40	Mar. 31	By amt. in Treasury	602.50
	Collected on Duplicate	496.10			
		$ 602.50			602.50

A.F.Shortridge, Treasurer

The Street Commissioners report as follows was read and the accounts allowed:-

Expended in First Ward	$ 7.75		
Do " Second "	5.50		
Do " Third "	0.00		
Do " Fourth "	9.00		
Do " Fifth "	4.75		
Do " Sixth "	16.10		
Do " Seventh "	4.75		$47.85

Orders issue to:-

Brockermire	19 days	19.00	
John Smith	1 day	1.00	
Thos. Kennedy	4 days	4.00	
Ferry, 27 fenceposts 5 cents ea		1.35	
Joseph Butsch 18 days H. & Cart		22.50	47.85

April 1, 1852 Joseph Butsch, St.Com.

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Accounts presented and allowed

General -	Marion Fire Engine Company	3.00	
	Relief " " "	2.25	
	Sims A.Colley wood & Nuiscances	2.37	
	Daniel B.Culley Replacing duplicate burial	60.00	67.62
School -	C & I Cox stove etc. 7th W S & C	7.75	
	C.King Repairs 3d W S.H.	1.00	8.75

The Marshall presented the following accounts for work done in cleaning Washington in addition to the former allowances for same purpose:

Christian Coleman, for H.C. & hand 5½ days		11.75	
John O'Brien	4½ days shoveling	4.50	
James Connell	7 " "	7.00	
Lawrence Kennedy	8 " H.C. & hand	16.75	
William Vale	6 " horse & Cart	7.50	
Do "	7½ " hand shoveling	7.50	
Patrick Sullivan	4½ " shoveling	4.50	
Edmund O'Brien	2½ " do	2.50	
Wm. Callahan	1 " do	1.00	$63.00

All of which were allowed

On motion
The order of business was postponed for the purpose of giving visitors an opportunity to present whatever business they may wish to present, whereupon,

Mr. N.B.Palmer petitioned the Council to order the issueing of Street Scrip, on the improvement of Illinois in paying gutter to amount of $. It being the expense of paving over and above Engineers estimate.

On motion it was so ordered

Mr. Newcomb presented the petition of John G.Brittain praying the remission of a certain judgment rendered against him by the Mayor of the city; which was

On motion laid on the table -

Mr. Huntington praying that the Council give him the priviledge of removing a certain tree laying upon East street, to be used by him for his own benefit.

On motion

All the Council vested all the right and title they may have possessed in Mr.Huntington.

Mr.Tearney presented a petition praying that the Council to repay to him forty two dollars and fifty cents which he says he expended on the prosecution of grading New Jersey street, under a contract which he failed to fulfill.

On motion, Laid on table.

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The School House Building Committee made the following report:

Your committee appointed for the purpose of receiving bids for the erection of three School houses in this city respectfully report that they have advertised for bids according to instructions, and received proposals for the erection of the houses according to the enclosed plans and specifications from the following persons at the prices named:

William H. Karns	$ 1800.00
Christian F.Wishmeir	1732.00
Doman & Knox	1650.00
A.A.Londen	1645.00
William Evans	1638.58
C.King & I.H.Kenneday	1587.00

The several bids are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
C.Woodward)
George W.Pitts } Committee
D.V.Culley)

April 1,1852

Which report was received, and
On motion, by Mr. Edwards

The committees were instructed to report such changes in the plans and specifications of School Houses as they may think right and necessary at the next meeting of City Council.

The following resolution was offered by Mr.Pitts, accepted.

"Resolved, That Joseph Butsch be allowed fifteen dollars for services rendered in discharging ordinance in relation to ditches, etc. in Indianapolis which was adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Louden, Durham, Buchanan, Culley, Edwards, Pitts, Woodward, Nays, none.

The following preamble and resolution was offered for adoption by Mr.Culley:

Whereas, the taxes authorized to be assessed and collected yearly for general purposes, are to be limited to meet the necessary wants of the city, And, whereas,This fact was respectfully represented to the Legislature by petition from this Council asking that authority might be given to increase the assessment to the present and growing necessities of the city, and gradually extinguish the public debt; And, whereas,

the members who especial duty it was to represent the wishes and interests of this community not recognizing any particular need for the measure desired, or not seeing clearly the popular side of it, laconically printed to the provision of the charter authorizing a vote of the people to determine such luxuries, questions as whether it is proper to have bridges, well improved streets and alleys, fire engines, and other appliances commonly used in rich aristocratic communities to put out fire, contrary to the platform theoretically laid down, which allows every body and thing to do just as it please; therefore;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Council the interests and wants of this city require an appeal to the people for an increased assessment of --- cents on each one hundred dollars worth of taxable property for the improvement of

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streets, alleys, building bridges, and providing for a more convenient and plentiful supply of water in case of fire; Also, ___ cents on each one hundred dollars as aforesaid to aid in making the Fire Department more efficient; Also, ___ cents on a like sum for the purpose of enlarging the funds to procure a suitable bell and clock for the use of the city.

Resolved, that the President issue a proclamation notifying the voters of the city of the action of the Council herein, and that they will be called upon at the next annual city election to signify whether or no they are in favor of authorizing a levy of an additional tax for the purposes aforesaid.

On Motion

The first blank was filled with the word "ten"; Second blank, with "five", and last blank "two", and

On motion

The preamble and resolutions were adopted.

Mr. Louden presented the following petition:

"We, the undersigned petitioners would respectfully ask your honorable body, the City Council, to grant us the privilege to grade the sidewalk on the west side of the square Number (28) twenty eight on Tennessee Street."

George Stumph	George Gueers
Frederick Woolting	S.H.Galpus
	David Anderson"

On motion prayer granted, and

Ordered That the City Engineer be directed to set stakes as prayed for.

On motion

Council proceeded to the appointment of Inspectors of Elections in the different Wards as follows:-

1st	Ward	Wm. Wallace	Place	of	voting	School House
2	"	A.V.Brouse	"	"	"	Court House
3	"	I.S.Allen	"	"	"	School House
4	"	Thomas McClamrock	"	"	"	District I House
5	"	S.Hetselgeser	"	"	"	School house
6	"	I.VanBlaricum	"	"	"	Wright House
7	"	B.M.Siebert	"	"	"	School House

On motion Adjourned to meet on Monday evening next.

David V.Culley President

Attest. Daniel B.Culley,Secy,C.C.

City Council Chamber
April 12th 1852

Council: Present Buchanan, Durham, Edwards, Louden, Woodward & Culley, President.

Minutes of preceeding meeting read and adopted.

The following petition was presented and read;

"To the Hon City Council of the City of Indianapolis,
The undersigned desirous to build, and accupy for mechanical purposes, a vault , under the sidewalk, in front of the building about to be erected, on the alley side of lot (4) in square fifty six (56) respectfully ask your honorable body the privilege to occupy, at the Sputh East Corner of the building, a space not to exceed two feet in width by five feet in length off of the edge of the alley as an entrance way to this vault . This space in width will not exceed that of the opening by which the cellar has always been ventilated, and shall not be greater than that a man may pass down the stairway". S.D.Tomlinson
Indianapolis, April 12, 1852. Austin H. Brown

On motion
The prayer of the petition was granted; provided they secure said opening irn railing.

A petition of Wm.Young and others for grading and graveling Michigan Street between Pennsylvania & Meridian Streets; was

On motion, Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr.Louden $2.68 was allowed Mr.Lupton as the amount paid by him as taxes, over and above what was due having been assessed $800 too much.

The committee appointed for that purpose, reported plans and specifications with certain alterations reducing the cost of construction of the City School houses, one hundred and seventeen;($117) which were received, and, on motion, The committee with instructed, to award said buildings to C.King & Jos.Kennedy at the sum of $1470 each, and to contract with the parties at that price.

The following resolution was presented, and read:
Resolved That the committee be authorized to employ some fit person to superintend the construction of the city school houses at a cost not to exceed three per cent on the cost of construction.

Mr. Edwards moved that three per cent on cost of construction be stricken out."

The ayes and nays being demanded, it was lost as follows:

Ayes, Messrs	Durham, Buchanan & Edwards	3
Nays "	Woodward, Louden & Culley	3

On motion by Mr.Woodward the resolution was laid upon the table

And on motion adjourned to meet again on Saturday evening next.

David V.Culley,Prest

Attest: Daniel B.Culley,Secy

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City Council Chamber
April 17th 1852

Council met pursuant to adjournment.
Present Messrs Buchanan, Edwards, Woodward, Pitts Louden & Culley, President.
Minutes of preceding meeting read and adopted.

Mr. Samuel Henderson petitioned the City Council that they refund to him the sum of $1.50, he having paid that amount as cost for advertising his property for sale, as delinquent by the Treasurer because of an error in assessment upon which statement.

On motion of Woodward

The said sum of $1.50 was directed to be refunded him by the Treasurer.

The following petition was presented:
"To the City Council of Indianapolis,

We the undersigned property holders on the east side of the Square formerly occupied by Underhill's foundry would respectfully petition your honorable body for leave to grade the west sidewalk of Pennsylvania Street opposite said square. And we would further petition you to have the grade of said walk designated soon as practicable, in order that no delay may be experienced in prosecuting the work aforesaid.

E.A.Hall	45 ft.	L.S.Newell	50 ft.
W.H.Churchman	100	James N.Yandes	160 "

April 17, 1852

On motion by Mr.Pitts, The prayer of the said petitioner was granted and it was Ordered That the City Engineer set the grade marks for said improvement.

The petition of Mr. Geo. W. Pitts was presented as follows: "The undersigned would ask leave to take earth from the East sidewalk of Mr.Ellsworth block for the purpose of raising said petitioner's sidewalk on Indiana Avenue. Geo. W. Pitts

Which was granted provided there be a sufficient amount of dirt to spare.

The following resolution was offered for adoption:

Resolved, That the City Attorney be instructed to inquire the condition of title of the City Council to certain lots lying west of the West Market House sold under execution sometime since as the property of the City; as also what action is necessary to reassert the title of the city to the same and quiet any adverse claim thereto, and report at next meeting of the Council."

Which was, on motion, adopted.

The committee to Revise Ordinances reported an ordinance entitled "An ordinance in relation to the occupation of LouisiananStreet by the Lawrenceburg and Upper Mississippi Railroad Company."

Mr. Buchanan moved to lay it on the table.

The ayes and nays being demanded, resulted as follows:
Ayes Messrs Buchanan & Louden 2
Nays " Woodward, Edwards, Pitts and Culley 4
So the motion to lay on the table was not adopted.

On motion by Mr. Woodward The Ordinance was adopted.

The committee on Revision reported ordinances generally entitled, "An ordinance relative to the officers of the City and their duties". "An ordinance relative to the public burying grounds and for the protection of public and private burying grounds in the city of Indianapolic" & "An ordinance relative to nuisances andother offences against the police of the City of Indianapolis". which were, after alteration and amendment, adopted. (See copy in Ordinance book).

Mr. Louden presented the bill of Central Plank Road Company for 25 rods of paving stone for Illinois Street, amt. $25.00.

Referred to committee on Claims.

The President read an invitation, inviting the members of the City Council to be present at the examinations and exhibitions of the Schollars of the Schools held in City School, at times specified in invitation.

On motion, Adjourned to meet Wednesday evening. David V.Culley,Prest.
Attest: Daniel B.Culley, Secy,C.C.

City Council Chamber
April 21, 1852

The City Council met. Present Messrs Buchanan, Durham, Edwards, Louden, Pitts & Culley, President.

The minutes read and approved.

Mr. Nathan Davis' account of $7,35 for hauling gravel in 3d Ward was on motion allowed.

On motion
The Street Commissioner was directed to proceed immediately toward the grading and graveling of sidewalk on East side of Pennsylvania Street between N.York & Michigan Streets, directed to be graded and graveled by owners last fall.

Mr. Bartlett Baker prayed for the privilege of selling books by hawking without license; on motion by Mr.Pitts,

Mr.Baker to be granted license for two dollars by payment of two dollars into the City Treasury.

Mr.Pitts offered the following resolution for adoption:
Resolved, That the City Secretary be authorized to make sale of one of the City lots in Hospital Square to Owen Cullings upon the following conditions, to-wit; Said Cullings to bind himself to erect a building on said lot within six months after purchase, and to pay for said lot at three equal annual payments of one, two, and three years, after purchasing, with interest from date; and in other respects complying with the conditions heretofore established.

Which was, on motion, adopted.

On motion by Mr.Durham;

The Peoples Circus were granted license for two days for fifty dollars and granted privilege to occupy the East Market space, provided that make arrangements to have all damages paid they occasion by using said space and to leave it as clear from obstruction as when they found it.

The committee on Building School houses reported agreement between City Council of the first part and Cornelius King & James H. Kennedy of the second part, which was read, and adopted as the agreement.

The City Attorney, in answer to resolution of City Council, of last meeting, made the following report in relation to certain lots for Market space:

To the City Council of Indianapolis:

The undersigned, in compliance with a resolution of your

honorable body, passed at the last meeting, instructing him to inquire into the condition of the title to the City Council to certain lots lying west of the West Market House sold under execution sometime since as the property of the City; as also, what action is necessary to reassert the title of the City to the same and quiet any, adverse claim thereto, and report at next meeting of the Council," has the honor to report as follows:

That by an Act of the General Assembly of this State approved 1821, the South half of Block No.50 in the town of Indianapolis was granted to said town for a Market House. By an Act of General Assembly, approved February 6, 1837, the Board of Internal Improvement were authorized to take possession for the use of the State if they should deem it for the interest of the State so to do, said South half of said Block, and in lieu thereof to set apart such portion of the North Half of Block No. 48 yet owned by the State of Indiana, as they should deem just and equitable to the town of Indianapolis for a Market space, and upon the corporate authorities of said town agreeing by an order in their books to receive such part of Block No.48 so to be set off as aforesaid, then the agent of State for the town of Indianapoolis was thereby authorized, and it was made his duty to give said town a deed for same in fee simple. And the said corporate authorities should at the same time relinguish to the State by deed all of said South half of block No.50, which deed shall be given to the said Board to be recorded, etc:- (Local Laws 1837,p.41). Pursuant to said Act the Board of Internal Improvement took possession of the south half of Block No.50 for the use of the State, and the Agent of State conveyed in fee to the town of Indianapolis, that part of Block No.48 sold for the debt of the city, and the City conveyed the South half of Block No.50 to the State. The act last mentioned vested said property in said town in trust for a market space, and in the opinion of the undersigned, the property was never subject to sale for any debt created by the corporate authorities of the City of Indianapolis.

The proper mode to be adopted to recover possession of the part of said block No.48 sold for the debt of the city to Mr.Ketchum, and to quiet the title of the city in the property, would be, in the opinion of the undersigned to file a bill in chancery to set aside the deed of the purchaser and to have the possession delivered up to the corporate authorities of the city.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert G.Porter"

On motion,

The City Attorney was instructed to reassert the City's title to the property mentioned above, in the manner designated; if, upon tender of amount of the judgments and costs, with interest, the tender be refused:

On motion

The Secretary be directed to issue an order upon the School fund for the sum of the judgment costs, and interest, which will be necessary to tender in the attempt to reassert their title to the North half of Block No.48 mentioned above in City attorney's report; the School fund being indebted to General Fund about that amount.

Allowed	Albert G. Porter	professional services	$ 176.50
do	Horatio C.Newcomb	" "	25.00

The Committee in Revision of Ordinance, entitled "An ordinance relative to the salaries of the officers of the City of Indianapolis, which was adopted as the ordinance of the city.

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On motion by Mr.Buchanan

Ordered That the City Engineer established the city grade on Louisiana & Maryland streets from East street east to the Donation line.

On motion

The petition of H.E.Bueking & John G.Brittain paaying the city Council to remit certain fines assessed against them by the Mayor for retailing liquors was taken from the table; and,they giving bond in the sum of ($50) fifty dollars not to violate that law again.

On motion

The prayer of the petitioners were granted, they paying the City Council the amount of the bill by them paid to City Attorney.

On motion adjourned to meet on Monday evening.

Attest: Daniel B.Culley Secy.C.C. David V.Culley, Prest.

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City Council Chamber
April 26, 1852

Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present Messrs. Woodward, Louden, Buchanan, Edwards, Pitts & Culley, President. Minutes read and approved.

Mr. Pitts offered for adoption the following resolution:

"Resolved, That we the City Council loan to W.C.King, & James H.Kennedy contractors for the City School houses, the sum of four hundred dollars of School Fund, to be secured by the applicants' notes, with interest from date negotiable and payable in the Branch Bank at Indianapolis. Note to be drawn to become due September 1852". Which was adopted.

Allowed	Austin H.Brown, Printing account to date		$ 29.00	(573)
"	Independent Relief Company		15.20	(541)
"	Marion Fire Engine Company		30.00	(572)
"	Daniel B.Culley, Room rent $40.00, extra salary	$25.00	65.00	(538)

By the following vote: Ayes: Messrs. Louden, Buchanan, Edwards, Pitts, Woodward & Culley. The committee on revision reported an ordinance entitled "An ordinance relative to the Fire Department and for the protection of property by damage by fire," which was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Culley

574 to 608) Each Inspector, Judge & Clerk of the recent election were allowed one dollar; and each Judge and Clerk composing of the Board of Canvassers the sum of one dollar.

The petition of Garratt Davis & Co. and others praying for the privilege of erecting a frame building within the limit of the prescribed limits of the city, within which no frame building is permitted to be erected, was, on motion indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Louden offered for adoption the following resolution:
Resolved That an extra allowance of fifty dollars be made to Sims A. Colley, Marshall of the City for his services the past year, for the purpose of paying his assistant during the past year. (539-540)

Which was adopted by the following vote. Ayes: Messrs. Louden, Buchanan, Edwards, Pitts, Woodward & Culley, President. Nays, None.

Mr. Buchanan offered for adoption the following resolution:
Resolved That a sum not exceeding Seventy five dollars of the fire tax fund not otherwise appropriated, be appropriated for painting the Marion Fire Engine and Hose wagon. Which was adopted.

On motion adjourned to meet again on Friday evening.

Attest: David V.Culley, Prest.

Daniel B.Culley, Secy.

City Council Chamber
April 30, 1852

Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present Messrs Buchanan, Woodward, Edwards, Pitts & Culley, President.

The Treasurer not being prepared to report, they granted him further time to prepare his books for settlement.

609 Allowed Ellis & Spann printing account, to date $69.36.

On motion Adjourned.

David V.Culley, Prest.

Attest. Daniel B.Culley,Secy

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Council Chamber
Indianapolis, May 1st. 1852

The Councilmen elected on Saturday April 24th 1852, in pursuance of the Charter of the City of Indianapolis, met at the Council Chamber in said City on Saturday May 1st presented their credentials with proper oaths of office endorsed thereon and took their seats as follows:

1st Ward	Samuel Delzell
2d "	David V.Culley
3d "	Andrew A.Louden
4th "	
5th "	John Greer
6th "	Jacob Fetler
7th "	Thomas Buchanan

And organized by the election of David V.Culley President upon the first ballet.

The following named persons presented certificates of election, with the proper oath of office endorsed thereon for the several offices mentioned;

Daniel B.Culley	Secretary, City Council
Elisha McNeely	City Marshal
Hugh Slaven	Commissioner of Streets

Who also presented bonds for the faithful performance of the duties of the office for which they were elected, in the amount required by ordinance, which were accepted, and ordered to be filed with the Treasurer.

On motion, the Council adjourned to meet in regular meeting on Monday May 3d 1852.

David V.Culley, President

Attest: Daniel B.Culley,Secy,C.C.

Regular Meeting.

Council Chamber
May 3d. 1852

Council met. Present all save Mr. John Greer. Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

Mr. George W.Pitts 4th Ward presented with oath of office endorsed thereon, his credentials and took his seat as Councilman.

The Treasurer presented monthly report, read and approved.

The Street Commissioner presented the following report and the various amounts allowed the persons named:

610)	Labor in 1st Ward Joseph Butsch	3.75	
(	" " 4th " " "	1.00	
611	" " 6th " " Bockemier	1.00	
612	" sharpening & Steeling picks, C.Youngerman	1.50	
613	" sharpening & steeling picks, I. Trucksess	1.00	
614	" 2d & 6th Wards A.P.Meikel	5.00	$ 13.25

The following petition was read:
"To the Honorable the City Council:

The undersigned prays the privilege of grading sidewalk in front of lot No.7 in Square No.18, lying along Vermont Street; also,

The privilege of grading sidewalk in front of lots Nos.4 & 5 in same square lying along Alabama Street; also,

Further the undersigned prays the privilege of grading on the north side of lot No.12 in said Block No.18; and, inasmuch as a considerable fill would have to be made, he asks the privilege of taking from the sidewalk on the north of lot No.1 in Block 17, for said purpose, and requests that the City Engineer be directed to set Stakes.

William A.Holliday

Referred to Committee on Streets and alleys, and if no objection to granted prayer of petitioner.

The President announced the following Standing Committee for ensuing year:
"Fire Department - Messrs Buchanan,Delzell and Pitts
Public Wells,cisterns,etc.Messrs Louden, Fitler & Greer
Markets Messrs. Pitts,Delzell and Buchanan
Streets,Alleys,bridges,etc.Messrs.Delzell,Fitler & Pitts
Claims Messrs Fitler,Greer & Louden
Ways & Means Messrs Greer,Delzell & Pitts
School Messrs Pitts,Louden & Buchanan

Mr. John S.Allen assessor elect presented certificate of election with oath of office endorsed thereon and filed his bond, which was accepted.

Allowed, A.F.Shortridge the sum of $30.63, being amount of judgment on sullivan's docket, W.C.VanBlaricum & City Council Docket F. Page 635, cost $3.15.

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On motion by Mr.Pitts it was

"Resolved, That the Marshal notify the Indianapolis and Lafayette Ralroad Company, in making their road, as far as it may be within the limits of the City of Indianapolis, to comply with the City grade except as otherwise provided in their grant; and to place all culverts for the drainage of the water where now made or necessary to be made, at the proper city grade."

On motion by Mr,Louden the Council proceeded to the election of officers of the city not otherwise elected, which resulted as follows:
Mr.Jacob Miller was elected Clerk of East Market on 1st ballot
Mr.Jacob Miller was elected Clerk of West Market on 1st ballot
Mr.Philip Socks was elected Sexton of Public Burying Ground on 1st ballot
"The Indiana State Sentinal" & "The Locomotive" were selected by ballot as the publishing papers of the City Council.

On motion by Mr.Delzell, The Council adjourned to meet again on Friday evening.

Attest: David V.Culley,President City Council
Daniel B.Culley,Secy.C.C.

City Council Chamber
May 7th 1852

Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present Messrs.Buchanan, Filter,Greer,Pitts,Delzell & Culley,President. Minutes of prexceding meeting read and approved.

Mr.Delzell of 1st Ward presented the following petition:
"The undersigned petitioner would respectfully represent to the honorable, the members of the City Council of Indianapolis, that he is the proprietor of a lot in Square No. Situated between New Jersey Street and Alabama street and North and Wood streots, that said lots front on New Jersey street and extends to the alley that his dwelling house is on the Street and School house on or near the alley, that there are in the alley several low places and mudholes near said school house, which renders access to it difficult and inconvenient, that in said alley, in said Square there is sufficient earth in a high situation to fill said mudhole; therefore, your petitioner respectfully asks leave of your honcrable council to permit him to remove said earth from the elevated portion of the alley and level the same, filling said mudholes thereby.
Signed: John W.Dorsey"

The prayer of the petition be granted provided that there may be dirt to spare and work done under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

On motion, by Mr.Greer of 6th Ward, it was
Ordered That the City Engineer be directed to givo grade stakes for sidewalks along Kentucky Avenue and Illinois street in front of Square No ; and that the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the property holders owning property in said Square fronting said Kentucky Avenue and Illinois Street to grade & pave or gravel the sidewalks, according to said grade marks, immediately.

Mr.Buchanan of 7th Ward presented the following petition:
"To the honorable the City Council of Indianapolis, The undersigned your petitioners, respectfully represent to your honors that there is no sidewalk along the North side of Lots Nos. 7,8,9,10,11 & 12 containing about 630 feet fronting on Washington street in the city aforesaid. Your petitioners therefore request your honorable body to have a sidewalk laid out along the North side of said street, that they may improve the same immediately, as they wish to plant out some trees.
Charles Kocher,
John Carlisle
John Tenyke"

Referred to Committee on Streets, alleys, etc.

Mr of Ward presented the following petition:
To the Honorable the city Council of Indianapolis.

We, the undersigned property holders and

citizens of Indianapolis and living on and adjacent to Wood street in said city are desirous of having said street opened as it will be an accomodation to the undersigned and the citizens of said city generally. The portion of said street which we wish opened lies between Alabama and Delaware Streets in Square No.38 in Frazee's addition to said city and in duty bound your petitioner will ever pray, etc."
Signed George Deitz and thirty two others

Referred to committee on Streets and alleys with instructions to obtain opinion of the City Attorney and to report at next meeting .

Mr.Delzell of 1 Ward offered for adoption the following resolution, "Resolved, That the Committee on the Fire Department be required to inquire as to the expediency of relocating the Engine Houses containing the Fire Engines, that said Engine may be rendered more immediately available in cases of fire, and that they can report their action on the matter at the next regular meeting."

Which was not adopted. Whereupon Mr.Delzell offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Committee on the Fire Department inquire whether the fire company in charge of the "Good Intent Engine" is still organized and in a condition to render service in case of fire in the City, and report at the next regular meeting". Adopted by consent.

Mr.Fitler of 6th Ward, offered for adoption, the following resolution:
"Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Street proceed to repair the Bridge over Pogue's Run on Meridian Street; also the bridge on the diaganal street running from Morris' Mill to Pennsylvania st." Adopted.

Mr.Pitts of 4th Ward, offered the following resolution: (616)
"Resolved, That Jacob Miller be allowed twenty-five dollars as extra compensation for services as Market Master for last ~~year~~ 1/2 year.
Adopted by the following vote ayes, Messrs Delzell, Buchanan, Greer, Fitler, Pitts & Culley.

Mr.Pitts of 4th ward offered for adoption the following resolution:
"Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to procure 3000 feet (face measure) of oak plank, squared & edged and 12 feet long for use of Bridges; also 50 pieces Oak scantling 5x6, 12 feet long; also 600 ft. 3x4 oak scantling 12 ft long". Adopted.

Allowed Relief Fire Company Rent of Engine House 1/4 year $20.00(617)

Page382 Mr.Pitts of 4th Ward offered the following resolution for adoption:
"Resolved That the Committee on the Fire Department be authorized to order three hundred ft of hose in addition to the 900 feet already ordered to be paid out of the fire tax fund as soon as available" Adopted.

On motion by Mr.Delzell of 1st Ward

"The Secretary be authorized to draw an order on Town Clock for an amount sufficient to pay judgments outstanding against the city on the Justices & Circuit Court Dockets. Which was adopted by the following vote. Ayes, Messrs Delzell, Buchanan, Fitler, Greer & Culley 5
Nays Mr.Pitts 1.

Mr.Pitts of 4th Ward offered for adoption the following resolution:
" Resolved, That the City Engineer be required to give the grade of school house lot in the Sixth Ward and an estimate of the amount of the grading of the same; also give the foundation grade for the school houses in the 2d. & 4th Wards." Adopted.

Mr.Buchanan of 7th Ward offered for adoption the following resolution:
"Resolved, That no Councilman be authorized to order any work in his own Ward without the consent of the proper committee, and that no such bill will be allowed." Adopted.

On motion of Mr.Buchanan of 7th Ward, The Council proceeded to the election of "A Chief of the Fire Department" which resulted in the unanimous seletion of Joseph Little.

On motion of Mr.Delzell of 1 Ward
"The Secretary was authorized, upon the reception of the hose ordered, to draw on City Treasury Fire Tax Fund for the amt to pay freight and bill".

On motion by Mr.Delzell of 1st Ward
The Council proceeded to the election of a City Attorney and a Weigh Master; which resulted in the following selections:
A.G.Porter, City Attorney
Adam Haugh Weigh Master

Mr.Culley of 2d Ward offered the following resolution for adoption:
"Resolved, That the Marshal be authorized if in his opinion the public interest requires it to appoint an assistant

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to be allowed such compensation as the Council shall hereafter determine, in view of the service rendered." Adopted.

The Marshal announced the appointment of Benjamin Pilbean as Deputy Marshall; which appointment was confirmed by the City Council.

Mr.Culley of 2d Ward offered the following resolution for adoption:
"Resolved, That a select committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of drafting an ordinance to empower the Marshal and his associates to arrest and confine in the common jail all suspicious persons found

passing about in the city after ten o'clock P.M. Adopted.

The President appointed Messrs Greer, Pitts and Delzell said committee.

Mr.Buchanan of the 7th Ward moved that a committee of three be appointed to draft an ordinance amendatory of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance in relation to the occupation of Louisiana Street by the L & U.M.R.R. Company." which motion carried and Messrs Buchanan, Fitler and Greer were appointed said committee.

Mr.Culley of 2d Ward offered the resolution as follows for adoption: "Resolved That the committee on building public School houses in Wards No.2,4, & 6 be empowered to employ some suitable person to superintend the construction of the houses in said Wards; provided his compensation shall not exceed one hundred dollars". Adopted.

On motion, Adjourned to meet on Friday evening next.

David V.Culley,President City Council

Attest,Daniel B.Culley, Secy.

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City Council Chamber
May 14, 1852

Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present a full Council. Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

The Marshal anounced the appointment of Thomas Smith,Jr. as Deputy Marshall in the stead of Benjamin Pelbean, who declined serving. Said appointment was confirmed.

Mr.Louden from 3d. Ward offered the following resolution: "Resolved, That the Sexton of the Public Grave Yard be instructed to have the fence around said grave yard put in good repair and present bill to the City Council."

Which was so amended as to make it the duty of the Committee on Ways and Means to have said work done, and then it was adopted.

Mr.Delzell of 1 Ward, offered the following resolution: "Resolved, That the committee on Public Wells, Cisterns etc. be authorized to have wells dug and each furnished with a good pump for every City School lot, not at present supplied; said wells to be located at the inter edge of pavement in front of said School lots". Which was adopted.

Mr.Buchanan Chairman of the Committee on the Fire Department, presented the following report:

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred a resolution directing them to inquire as to the organization and efficiency of the "Western Liberty's Fire Engine Company", would report that said company is composed of twenty three persons, which is, in their opinion, not a sufficient number to be efficient, but they would recommend that the Council furnish them with additional hose and give them further time to increase in numbers sufficient to be an effective company in cases of fires.

Signed Thomas Buchanan
George W.Pitts
Sam'l Delzell

Which report was accepted and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the Subject.

Mr.Buchanan Chairman Committee on the fire Department offered the following report:

The committee on the fire Department represent that from information received from the Secretary that the twelve hundred feet of hose ordered will be here in a few days, and we would recommend the following distribution of them:

To the Marion 600 feet; to the Relief 200 feet & to the Western Liberties 400 feet.

Thomas Buchanan,
Geo.W.Pitts

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The report of the committee was not accepted; whereupon:

Mr.Delz ell offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the twelve hundred feet of hose, ordered by the Council be divided among the fire companies as follows: to the Marion & ReliefRelief 450 feet each, and to Western Liberties Company 300 feet"

Mr.Greer moved to strike out all in relation to the distribution and insert: To the Marion company, Relief & Western Liberties be allowed four hundred feet of hose each."

Mr.Culley moved to amend by striking out from the resolving clause and insert the following:

"Resolved, That five hundred feet of hose be distributed to each of the Relief and Marion Companies and two hundred feet to Western Liberties to be increased to five hundred feet whenever said company shall increase

in numbers to Sixty efficient members to be certified by the Chief of the Fire Department; said last named company having the immeidate use of three hundred feet or more of the old hose of the Marion."

Which amendment was concurred in, and the resolution as amended was adopted by the following vote: Ayres: Messrs Delzell, Buchanan, Fitler, Greer & Culley; Nays: Messrs Louden & Pitt

Mr. A.F.Shortridge Treasurer elect presented his certificate of election, and bond of office, which was accepted.

Mr.Greer offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Committee on Streets and alleys be authorized to contract for the earth to be taken from the cellar of Osgood and have it placed on Illinois Street South of South Street if they should deem it expedient upon view of the said Street.
Which was adopted.

Mr.Cully offered for adoption the following resolution:

"Resolved, That a select Committee be appointed to prepare and report an ordinance to provide for improving Streets, alleys ~~an~~ & sidewalks, at the expense of the property holders absolutely, and repealing the provisions heretofore in force authorizing the issue of Street Scrip".

On Motion
Laid on table, with the understanding that it will be disposed of before any further action will be made under the present ordinance.

Mr.Pitts offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That an appropriation of fifty dollars be made to each ward to be worked out by the Street Commissioners under the Superinten-dence of the Councilman of each ward."
Which was not adopted.

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Mr.Fitler presented City Engineer's estimate of grading School house lots in Sixth Ward.

On motion, The Committee on School Houses were directed to let said work to the lowest responsible bidder.

Allowed Hook & Ladder Company for repairs carriage $1.00

On Motion Adjourned David V.Culley,Prest.City Com.

Attest: Daniel B.Culley, Secy C.C.

City Council Chamber
June 7th 1852

City met. Present Messrs.Louden, Durham, Buchanan, Fitler, Pitts and Culley, President.

Minutes preceeding meeting read approved.

On Motion by Mr.Louden
Mr.Luke Munsell be allowed use of the City Map of City Council provided he furnish a map for the use of said City Council which would be suitable for reference.

Mr.Buchanan from a Select Committee reported "an ordinance amendatory of an ordinance entitled "an ordinance in relation to the occupation of Louisiana Street by the Lawrenceburg and Upper Mississippi Rail Road Company".

After some amendment on alterations it was adopted as follows:
"An ordinance amendatory if an ordinance entitled "an ordinance in relation to the occupation of Louisiana Street by the Lawrenceburg & Upper Mississippi Rail Road Company."

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis; That Said company shall cause to be made on Louisiananstreet between Alabama Street and the eastern boundary of this City at the outer edges of the sidewalks or each side of said streets, under the direction and supervision of the City Engineer, good and sufficient gutters for the free passage of water and the conducting of the same to the proper point or points, and shallthereafter keep the same in good and suitable condition and repair for the purpose aforesaid, and shall make no gutters, or ditches, except at the edges of said sidewalks; and said Company shall also make and maintain good and suitable culverts under the track of said Railroad at the intersection of all cross streets where the City Engineer shall deem the same necessary to be made, and opposite the gutter of such cross streets so as to allow a free passage of water thereunder; and said Company shall likewise place and keep good and substantial foot bridges over the gutters of said Louisiana street at the intersections of all cross streets, at points continuous with the sidewalks thereof.

Sec. 2. Said Company shall also cause said Louisiana Street to be graveled a distance of not less than ten feet in width on each side of the road, and to a depth of not less than ten inches at the road and sloping out, as above, to four inches.

Sec. 3. Said company shall also cause to be handed to East Street, between Washington Street and Virginia Avenue, at points to be designated by the City Engineer, all earth which may be excavated by them for the purpose of making or laying the track of their said road

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and which may not be required by said Company at some other part of Louisiana Street for the same purpose.

Sec.5 All Acts and things required herein to be done by said Company shall be done within nine months after the laying of the track of the road on Louisiana Street, except where it is provided for the maintaining or keeping up any thing herein provided for which shall be maintained or kept up after the same as made continually.

Sec.6. The said Company shall be permitted to lay the track on their road, on Louisiana Street at a grade of regular ascent from East Street to the Eastern line of this City, and the grade of that part of Louisiana Street shall be established to correspond with such grade of ascent.

Sec.7 Upon the neglect or omission of said company to do any act or thing required by the ordinance and, where a time is fixed, by that particular time, it shall be the duty of the Marshal of the City under the direction of the City Council, to do the same without delay, and the expenses which shall be incurred in doing the same may be recovered from said Company in an action of debt prosecuted in the name of the City Council, and if said company shall make gutters or ditches otherwise than is provided by the ordinance, it shallbe the duty of the Marshal, under the direction aforesaid, to fill the same up without delay, and the expense of such filling shall be recovered from said company by the action and in the name aforesaid.

Sec.8 The ordinance of which this is amendatory, so far as the same conflict with this ordinance, is hereby repealed.

Sec.4 Said Company shall not run any locomotive or car over said road at a faster rate than five miles an hour, under a penalty of ten dollars for every such offence.

The Treasurer was allowed further time to make yearly report, On Motion presented to the 14th of the present month.

624	Allowed	Relief Company F.T.Fund	$ 16.15
625	"	Marion Company "	8.50
623	"	E.P.Gillett General Fund	4.25
626	"	Elder & Harkness " "	58.87

On Motion by Mr.Louden
Mr.E. Catlin was allowed twenty-five dollars from School Funds as part pay digging wells.

Mr.Delzell presented a petition from the citizens in 1st Ward for improvement of Market street under the Street Imp Ordinance; The petition was laid on the table till the resolution

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of Mr.Culley presented last meeting was disposed of.

The resolution above mentioned was taken from the table and the Ayes and Nays being demanded resulted as follows:

Ayes: - Culley 1
Nays: - Louden, Delzell,Buchanan,Fitler & Pitts 5

Mr.Delzell's petition was taken up, and, on motion laid on the table.

Mr.Delzell offered the following, and recommending it be adopted as the ordinance of the City.

Sec.1 Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis, that section No.28 of an ordinance relative to nuisances and other offences against the police of the City of Indianapolis, "Approved April 20,1852, shall be so construed that it shall not be deemed an offence within the purview of said ordinance for any person or persons to keep open a livery stable on Sunday for the purpose of hiring or allowing to be used horses, carriages, buggies, and other vehicles; or for any person or persons to keep open a barber shop on Sundays for the transaction of business apperatining to the business of a barber or for any person or persons to keep open on Sundays a drug store for the purpose of selling Drugs or Medicines.

Be it further ordained that Section No.17 of said ordinance be and the same is hereby changed as to substitute the word "nine" for the word "five" wherever the latter word occurs in said section".

Mr.Pitts moved to lay the ordinance on the table.
Mr.Delzell demanded the ayes and nays which resulted as follows:

Ayes:- Messrs. Pitts, Fitler and Culley 3
Nays:- Messrs Louden, Delzell & Buchanan 3

On motion to strike out the first section the ayes and nays were demanded, which resulted as follows
Ayes:- Messrs. Louden,Buchanan,Fitler,Pitts & Culley 5
Nays:- Delzell 1
The first section was so stricken out.

The question recurring on the adoption of the second section, after necessary alterations, it was adopted, as follows:
"Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis that Section 17 of "an ordinance relative to nuisances and other offences against the public of the city of Indianapolis". Approved April 20,1852" be and the same is hereby so changed as to substitute the word "seven" for the word "five" whenever the latter word occurs in said section."

Mr.Fitler offered for adoption the following resultions;

Resolved That The Commissioner of Streets be ordered to gravel the ditch at the crossing of Delaware and Washington Streets, under the direction of the Street Committee; adopted

Resolved That the Committee on Markets examine the roof the East Market and report at the next meeting whether it be expedient or not to put a new roof or patch the same."
Which was adopted.

The Treasurer made his monthly report which was accepted.
And on Motion the Council adjourned.

David V.Culley,Prest.C.Council

Attest
Daniel B.Culley,Secy.C.C.

City Council Chamber
June 14, 1852

Council met. Present: Messrs Louden,Pitts,Delzell,Buchanan,Greer,Pitts & Culley.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and adopted.

Mr.Louden presented an ordinance entitled "an ordinance amendatory of the various ordinances relative to the public markets of the City of Indianapolis", which was adopted as follows:

"An ordinance amendatory of the various ordinances relative to the public markets of the City of Indianapolis".

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis, That hereafter the markets shall be held in the East Market House on Wednesday and Saturday, and in the West Market House on Tuesday & Friday of each week; and no markets shall be opened in either of said Market Houses on any other days.

Sec.2 Said markets shall be opened at daylight in the morning from the first day of May to the first day of October; and from the first day of October to the 31st day of April at 11½ o'clock A.M. at which time the Market Master shall give notice by ringing the bells.

Sec.3. All former ordinances coming within the purview of the ordinance and conflicting therewith, be and the same are hereby repealed."

Mr.Thomas Morris petitioned the Council, verbally, for a certain grant for a general passenger depot, on Louisiana street whereupon the following resolution was, on motion, adopted:

"Resolved, That permission be hereby granted to the several Railroads companies interested in the "general passenger depot", to build said depot so as to occupy not more than fifteen feet of the South Side of Louisiana street between Meridian and Illinois Streets: provided the said companies cause to be opened a new street from Illinois to Meridian Streets seventy five feet wide, on the south side of said depot, and erect a good and substantial bridge across the creek in said new street, which said street shall be opened by 1st October, 1852, and when opened it shall be and remain a public street for the benefit of the City".

Mr.Pitts offered a resolution appropriating forty dollars to ~~a~~ 4th Ward for certain improvements mentioned.

Referred to committee on Street, alleys, etc. with instructions to make such improvements in the streets, etc. as the health of the citizens demand, and the means of the City will allow.

Mr.Greer offered for adoption the following resolution:

"Resolved That the fines against Mr.Manville, (for a violation of the ordinances of the city in regard to selling liquors without license) by the Mayor, be and are hereby remitted, he paying the costs, and the attorneys fees."

On Motion by Mr.Buchanan, the resolution was amended by adding: "Provided Mr.Manville give bond in the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars with good and sufficient security that he will not directly or indirectly retail liquor in the City in violation of law".

The question being on the adoption of the resolution as amended, the ayes and nays were demanded, which resulted as follows:

Ayes: Messrs Louden, Delzell, Buchanan & Greer 4
Nays: Messrs Pitts and Culley 2
The resolution was so adopted.

On Motion by Mr.Louden
Allowed Oliver Rice was allowed twenty-five dollars as part pay for pumps furnished the City School lots.

Mr. Greer, Chairman of Committee on ways and means to whom were referred that matter presented the following report:

"The committee on Ways and means would report that they have examined the fence enclosing the old City Cemetery and find it so decayed that they recommend for adoption the following resolution.

John Greer)
Samuel Delzell (Comm
George W.Pitts)

"Resolved That the President of the City Council be and is hereby authorized to let the erecting of an entirely new fence, to enclose the old City Cemetery, to the lowest responsible bidder, said bidder being entitled to the fencing at present surrounding the cemetery."

The report was accepted, and the resolution adopted.

Mr.Hugh Slaven St.Commissioner presented the following report: "Your Street Commissioner reports that the following persons are entitled to orders for labor done under my direction:

635 Hugh Slaven	4 days horse and cart $1.25 pr.day		$5.00
628 James Kyle	3-3/4"	labor	3.75
627 Thomas Rafferty	2-3/4"	"	2.75
630 Ed.O'Brien	1/2 "	"	$ .50
			$10.00

The report accepted and accounts allowed

Allowed Hugh Slavins, bal. on cleaning alley bet.Illinois and Meridian Streets $ 3.25
Allowed A.F.Shortridge, as per accounts filed 44.81

On Motion by Mr.Buchanan,it was

"Ordered,That the City Engineer be directed to examine Louisiana Street between Alabama and East Street and ascertain whether the Lawrenceburg and upper Mississippi Railroad Company are complying with the established grade of the City and report at next meeting."

On Motion by Mr.Pitts, it was,

Resolved That as soon as practicable the Secretary of the City Council arrange the ordinance, and have five hundred copies of the same printed in pamphlet form. The lowest bidder of the printers in city to be entitled to said work.

The Treasurer presented his yearly report, read and accepted & filed in the papers of the city.

Allowed A.F.Shortridge	Percentage:	General fund	$ 268.45	
"	do	do	School "	175.92	
"	do	do	Fire Engine "	70.50	
"	do	do	Town Clock "	13.98	$528.85

Adjourned to meet Friday evening

Attest:

Daniel B.Culley Secy C.C. David V.Culley,Prest

City Council Chamber
June 18, 1852

Council met. Present Messrs Delzell, Buchanan,Fitler, Pitts & Culley President.

Minutes of preceeding meeting read and approved.

Mr.Delzell moved that the Committee on Streets, alleys, etc. be directed to examine the bridge over culvert, north side of Washington Street at the crossing of alley and have it repaired.

Which motion did not prevail; but the committee were instructed to

Mr.Delzell moved that the petition praying the improvement of Market Street, under the Street Scrip ordinance,be taken from the table.
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr.Delzell presented a petition praying the improvement of Ohio Street between Alabama and Noble Streets, and moved that the request of the petitioners be granted.
Which motion did not prevail by the following vote
Ayes:- Delzell & Buchanan 2
Nays:- Fitler,Pitts & Culley 3

Mr.Buchanan presented the petition of Wm.June, agent for J.M.James & Co.'s Circus, praying for license for two days for fifty dollars;
On Motion, by Mr.Buchanan
The prayer of the petitioner was granted.

On Motion adjourned David V.Culley,Prest.

Attest: Daniel B.Culley
Secy.C.C.

Council Chamber
July 6, 1852

Council met. Present Messrs Louden, Delzell, Buchanan, Greer, Fitler, Pitts & Culley President.

The Treasurer presented monthly reported read and accepted.

The Street Commission presented monthly report, and the following allowances were made.

Ed. O'Brien	7½ days work	$ 7.50
Kennedy	3-3/4 " "	3.75
Hugh Slaven		8.27
		$19.52

Allowed	Joseph Marguis hauling	2.00	
"	David A.Redfield Labor	8.25	
"	H.S.Kellogg Lds	2.70	
"	Edder & Harkness Printing	94.00	106.95
"	Parmeneous Wood Grading S.Sdw	59.00	59.00
"	Western Liberties Fire Co.	23.79	23.79

ORice's account for $62.00, being the balance of account for pumps furnished School lots, &

E.Catlin's account for $34.35 being the balance of account of digging wells in front of School lots in the city were referred to Committee on Pumps & Wells.

Mr.Delzell moved to take up the petition praying the improvement of Market Street between New Jersey & Noble Streets under the Scrip ordinance, be taken from the table.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr.Fitler moved that the prayer of the petition be granted so far as it relates to the first square east of New Jersey Street.

Which Motion did not prevail.

Mr.Delzell moved that the prayer of the petition be granted. The ayes and noes being demanded they resulted as follows:

Ayes:- Messrs Louden,Delzell,Buchanan & Greer 4
Nays:- " Fitler,Pitts & Culley 3

The prayer of the petitioner was so granted.

Mr.Delzell moved that the petition praying the improvement of Ohio Street, between Alabama Street & Noble Street be granted.

The ayes and noes being demanded resulted as follows:

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Ayes:- Messrs Delzell,Buchanan & Greer 3
Nays:- " Louden,Fitler,Pitts & Culley 4

So the prayer of the petition was not granted.

Mr.Greer moved to recondider the vote on granting the prayer of the petitioners for improvement of Market Street just passed:
Which Motion prevailed

The question recurring on the granting the prayer of said petition resulted in the negative by the following vote:
Ayes:- Messrs Louden,Delzell,& Buchanan 3
Nays:- " Fitler,Greer,Pitts & Culley 4

Petition presented

By Mr.Buchanan:-

A petition from Citizens of 1st & 7th wards asking for bridge over Pogue's Run on Noble Street, and the repair of said Street North of Washington St.
Referred to Committee on Streets and alleys to inquire into the expediency of granting said petitions:

By Mr.Buchanan
A petition praying for a bridge over Pogue's Run on Alabama Street:
On Motion
Ordered That the Committee on Streets and alleys contract for the building of a good & substantial bridge as prayed for.

Resolutions Presented

By Mr.Delzell
"Resolved, That the Committee on the Fire Department purchase 8 hundred feet of hose for the Invincible Fire Company No.2 to be loctaed in the 1st Ward of this city.
Which was referred to committee on the Fire Department, with instructions to ascertain if they can be procured on credit.

By Mr.Delzell
Resolved That the Committee on the fire department inquire into the expediency of building a suitable Engine house for the Invincible Fire Company No.2, to be located in the 1st Ward of this City. Adopted.

On Motion it was
Ordered That the Secretary be authorized to draw an order for thirty-five dollars in McNeely's favor being advance on salary for quarter

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ending in August next.

Mr.Delzell presented a petition from I.G.Keely praying the furnish him with the grade of certain streets their named.

Laid on the Table,

On Motion adjourned to meet on tomorrow evening.

David V.Culley, Prest.C.C.

Daniel B.Culley, Secy.C.C.

Council Chamber
July 7, 1852

Council met. Present Messrs Delzell,Buchanan,Greer,Pitts & Culley,President.

Mr.Culley offered the following resolution:

"Resolved That the order heretofore passed directing the President to contract for enclosing the public burying ground with a new fence, be so allowed as to authorize the enclosing the grave yard used by the colored people with the material to be taken from the city grave yard so far as the same may be necessary."

Which was adopted.

Mr.Culley offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Market Master of the East & West Markets be and he is hereby authorized and required to lease the outside stalls in the Market Houses aforesaid to persons who may wish to use the same for the sale of fruits and vegatables, etc.; said lease to extend to the next yearly sale of stalls, the lesses paying for each stall five dollars for the year, commencing in May, and in that proportion for a less time. The Market Master to give certificates and make return of money as in other cases.

Ordered That the Secretary furnish Market Master with a copy of this resolution.

Mr.Greer not being willing to remain longer
The Council adjourned.

David V.Culley, Prest.

Attest:
Daniel B.Culley,Secy,C.C.

City Council Chamber
July 14, 1852

Council met. Present Messrs Delzell,Buchanan,Pitts,Fitler, & Culley President.
Minutes read and approved.

Mr.Buchanan presented an ordinance entitled " an ordinance in relation to the occupation of Maryland Street by the Indiana Central Railway Company." See printed ordinance.
Which was ordained and established, by the following vote:
Ayes:- Messrs Louden,Buchanan,Delzell,Fitler,Pitts & Culley 6
Noes:- None.

Mr.Delzell offered for adoption the following resolution:-
"Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby directed to notify all persons liable to pay a road tax, (to work the same as the law requires) commencing with Ward No.1 & proceeding regularly through the Wards, the work to be done under the supervision of the several wards."
On Motion
Laid on the table.

Mr.Delzell offered the following resolution for adoption:
"Resolved That the City Collecter be required to keep an account of the road tax collected from each ward separate and that the amount go to defray the expense of improving the ward from which the same may be collected."
Which was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Louden, Delzell, Buchanan & Fitler 4
Noes: Messrs Pitts & Culley 2

On Motion it was
Ordered That the Secretary be authorized to draw order for the pumps placed in wells fronting the different school lots in the city in favor of O.Rice, upon the presentation to him of the certificates of the Councilmen of the different wards certifying as to their length; also,

Ordered That the Secretary be authorized to draw order for digging wells in front of School lots in favor of E.Catlin, upom the presentation of the cretificates of Councilman in each ward certifying that he has fulfilled his contract.

Allowed Lewis Sag Digging well 6 ward 6.29
" I.B.Fitler & Co. Chairs & Tables 15.51

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On Motion by Mr.Louden,
The Council proceeded to the appointment of Superintendent of City Schools; and the following gentlemen were appointed:

1st.District, Messrs H.P.Coburn, Wm. Wallace & I.Wilkins
2 " " I.H.Ross, I.H.McKeman & H.S.Rockey
3 " " R.B.Duncan, Jas.Sulgrove & George Espy
4 " " C.Fletcher, S.Merrill & James Turner

Petitions Presented.

"Whereas, It is found impracticable to properly grade the grounds of State Asylum for the Blind or erect the street fences thereon, until the sidewalks surrounding said property shall have been graded in conformity with the City Plat the undersigned would respectfully petition the Common Council of Indianapolis for leave to grade and gravel said sidewalks, and ask that they shall be staked off for the purpose by the City Surveyor without delay.

Signed in behalf of the Board of Trustees,
W.H.Churchman, Supt.

Ordered That the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

By Mr. Buchanan

"The undersigned residents and owners of property on the East side of Alabama Street South of Pogue's Run represent that the Council heretofore made an order for the grading and graveling sidewalk on the East side of the said Street from Pogue's Run to Merrill Street - that the same has never been entirely finished & that some of it together with the side ditch is very inconvenient to passers.

Wherefore, they ask that the Street Commissioner be directed to see that said sidewalk is finished by the property holders respectively, according to an order heretofore made. And that said Commissioner be directed to put said side gutter in good repair so as to convey off the water.

Signed by Wm.Wilkinson &
June 21, 1852. Ten Others"

On Motion
Ordered That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the owners of property along East side of Alabama Street between Pogue's Run and Merrill street, to make sidewalks where they have hitherto neglected to do so.

"Gentlemen of the Council,

I would inform you that I have put about 70 yds. of gravel on the street which I agreed to grade and gravel; but as the soil over the gravel is about

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four feet deep which I cannot afford to remove without being paid for it. The street on which the pit is needs grading, There being a low place

East and one West on the same street with the gravel pit, and I propose that if you will pay me for moving the soil to those places or any other place I will go on and get the gravel from the same pit. I find better gravel as I dig down which I think would do very well. The moving of the dirt I think will be worth about $25 or $30.

E.C.Croas"

On Motion by Mr.Culley:

The prayer of the petitioner was granted provided that the Committee on streets and alleys think it necessary to use the dirt in removing stagnant water; & provided, further, that the cost of such removal will not exceed thirty dollars, & provided there be dirt to spare.

"To the City Council of Indianapolis:

We, the undersigned women, wives, & mothers, residing in the vicinity of East Market Space ask of the City Council not to rent said square or any part of it for a circus performance. As conservators of the public peace we throw ourselves on your sense of right for protection in the hope that you will not withhold so simple as act of justice we are willing to submit to you our petition trusting to your magnaminity to prevent a repitition of those evils both moral & Physical which we have encountered within the last few days.

Signed by Mrs. Julia Phipps
R.A.Wert & 41 others

On Motion
A select committee consisting of Messrs Culley & Louden was appointed to draft an ordinance embracing the spirit of the petition.

City Engineer's Report:

In compliance with an order of the Honorable City Council of the 15th inst. directing the undersigned "to examine Louisiana Street between Alabama & East Streets, & ascertain whether the Lawrenceburgh & Upper Mississippi Railroad Company are complying with the established grade of the city" respectfully submit the following report.

As no profile of the grade of the Railroad on Louisiana Street between East and Alabama Streets had been furnished, nor any stakes inserted in the Streets whereby to indicate the intentions of the company, but only some grading between East & New Jersey Streets, the undersigned deemed ir proper in making the examination to take

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levels of said grading at several points and not compare the same with the City Grade. At the centre of East Street he found the Railroad grading six inches above the City grade and apparently raised to the full height. At the west line of East Street it was nine inches above the City grade.

At the centre of the square the grading for the Railroad corresponded with the City grade. And at thirty feet East of the East line of New Jersey street it was eight inches above the City grade.

The undersigned would state for the information of the City Council, that he inserted a stake at the intersection of Louisiana & East Street; also, a stake at the intersection of Louisiana & New Jersey streets; and one at the west sidewalk of Alabama street, on the line of the Railroad track all agreeable to the City Grade. From the centre of East street to the centre of New Jersey street the city grade descends at the rate of about 24 feet to a mile, & from the centre of New Jersey street to the centre of Alabama Street, the city grade descends at a rate of fifteen feet to mile. At the intersection of Louisiana & Alabama streets the city grade is one foot two inches above the Union Track at Pogue's Run Bridge on Virginia Avenue.

Ind. June 18, 1852 James Wood, City Engineer"

On Motion

Ordered That the Marshal notify the Lawrenceburg & Upper Mississippi Railroad Company to comply with the grade of that portion of Louisiana Street occupied by this Railroad track as established by this ordinance granting them the use of said street.

Resolutions

Mr.Culley offered the following:

"Whereas, The Legislature has adjourned without making any change in the law incorporating this City and as there is now no reason to suppose that any amendatory act will in future be passed to remedy the defects which experience has demonstrated to exist; Therefore be it

Resolved That when this Council adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again on Monday 19th inst for the especial object of considering the general law lately passed by the General Assembly to incorporate towns and cities; and if upon such examination it be thought advisable to adopt said law for the future government of this City - as a majority of this Council may rightfully do.

Mr.Fitler offered for adoption the following:

Whereas The City Treasurer has failed to make his yearly return and settlement as required by law; & whereas it is necessary that he should make said report without delay, therefore:

Resolved That the Treasurer be and he is hereby required to

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prepare and make a report as required by law & submit the same at the next meeting to be held on the nineteenth day of July inst.

Ordered That the Secretary furnish the Treasurer with a copy of the foregoing.

On Motion by Mr.Louden
The preamble was not adopted
The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
It was so adopted.

Mr. Culley offered the following
Resolved, That the Street Commissioner, under the advice and direction of the Marshal, be authorized and directed in the most speedy & economical manner, to make a general cleaning up of the Streets, alleys, & public commons of the city by removing therefrom all stagnant water, filth, or affensive matter, calculated to injure health.

Be it further Resolved, That in order to prevent the evils always attendant upon the infraction of the laws of health, and to secure the benefits which must result from a careful observance of cleanliness both in house & Premises, the said officers be vigilant in carrying out and enforcing Sections 2,3,4,7,8, & 32 of the ordinance passed and approved, Apl 25, 1852.

Ordered That the Secretary furnish the Marshal & Street Commissioner with a copy of the foregoing resolutions.
Which wase adopted.

Mr.Culley offered the following:
Resolved That the City Marshal by and with the advise and consent of the Council, be and he is hereby authorized to appoint an assistant whose compensation shall not exceed two hundred & fifty dollars per year payable quarterly."
Adopted

The Marshal appointed Samuel A.Perry as his assistant;
Which appointment was confirmed.

On Motion
The Sum of thirty five dollars was allowed Marshal as the compensation due assistant Marshal.

On Motion adjourned to meet Monday at 7 o'clock P.M.
David V.Culley,
Prest City Council

Attest
David B.Culley,Secy C.C.

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City Council Chamber
July 19 1852

Council met. All present save Mr.Greer.
Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.
A.F.Shortridge City Treasurer presented a report of the operations of the Treasury for thirteen months ending April 30, 1852

Referred to committee consisting of the President, Mr.Louden & the Secretary.

The Secretary presented a report showing the receipt of the City Treasurer for thirteen months ending April 30, 1852 & the expenditures for the past twelve months: ending same date.

Referred to the President & Mr.Louden ~~ka~~ with instructions to procure the publication of the Treasurer's & Secretary's Reports at the lowest rate possible.

A certificate from Western Liberties Fire Company was presented, certifying to the fact that John Carlisle advanced April 15 1850 the sum of $81.95 in cash & draft at 4 mos. for $65. making a total of $146.95 and that the interest to 1st August will be $19.00 making a total of $165.95/100 dollars for repairs of Engine at Madison.

On Motion by Mr.Pitts,
The Western Liberties Fire Company was allowed the sum of $165.95 being the amount yet due upon the repairs of Engine from any unappropriated moneys in the Treasury of Fire Fund, by the following vote:

Ayes:-	Messrs Buchanan, Pitts, Fitler & Culley	4
Noes:-	" Louden & Delzell	2

Allowed	E.P.Gillett, Painting Marion Engine F.Fund	$75.00
"	C.W.Gowen repairing bridge in 4th Ward	8.00

Mr.Delzell offered the following

Resolved That the Street Commissioner be required to make a walk and two foot bridges on Washington street opposite John Little's.
Adopted.

Mr.Fitler offered the following resolution:
Resolved That fifteen dollars be appropiated to cleaning & grubbing public grave yard, to be done under the direction of the Councilman of the 6th Ward.
Adopted.

A communication was raad from City Engineer relative to grade etc.
Mr.Louden offered the following:

Resolved That the City Surveyor & Engineer be directed to proceed immediately to the making a survey & submit to the City Council a profile of the grade of Streets, etc., requiring improvement, with the donation limit, of which there is no profile at present in possession

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of the City Council.
Adopted.

Mr.Pitts offered the following:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Streets be ordered to repair the bridge at the crossings of Illinois street & Kentucky Avenue.
Adopted.

Mr.Delzell moved that the petition of David Williams and others asking the Council to order gutter to be made & paved with stone along Washington Street between Pennsylvania & Delaware streets, be taken from the table & the prayer of the petitioner granted.

Which motion did not prevail by the following vote:

Ayes:	Messrs Louden & Delzell	2
Noes	" Buchanan, Fitler,Pitts & Culley	4

Mr.Culley offered for adoption the following preamble & resolution:

"Whereas, It is the opinion of the Council, that it would be to the interest & advantage of the City to adopt the General Act for the incorporation of cities approved June 18, 1852; therefore

Resolved, That said act be & the same is hereby adopted as the law for the future government of this city.

The resolution with the preamble was not adopted by the following vote

Ayes	Messrs Fitler & Culley	2
Noes	" Louden,Delzell,Buchanan & Pitts	4

On Motion adjourned to meet again on Monday evening next.

Attest Daniel V.Culley Prest.
Daniel B.Culley
Secy.C.C.

City Council Chamber
Augt 2d 1852

Council met. All present save Mr.Louden.

The Treasurer presented monthly report, read and ordered to be filed.

The Street Commissioner presented monthly report, read and the following accounts allowed:

Allowed	Hugh Slaven	$ 18.12	
"	Hugh Forbes	11.00	
"	Dennis Conner	5.00	
"	Mr.Caughal	2.00	
"	Thomas Rafferty	2.00	
"	John Carroll	2.25	
"	Mr.Dennis	.75	
"	Patrick Langley	1.50	
"	Thomas OConnor	6.00	
"	James Kile	1.50	
"	Patrick Quin	4.00	
"	E.O'Brien	4.50	
"	M.O'Brien	3.00	
"	I.O'Brien	2.00	
"	James Conlin	4.50	
"	Philip Fisher	2.00	$70.12

Allowed	Relief Company, D.S.Farnam Bill	71.75
"	" " Engine house rent	20.00
"	Marion Company mending hose etc.3.00,Tabs,buckets1.85	4.85
"	W.W.Roberts candles furnished city	2.70

The following communication was received & read:

"To the Honorable the City Council of Indianapolis:

The undersigned begs leave to state to this body that the Council of 1851 passed an order by an unanimous vote ordering Mr.Harvey Bates to fill up a hole or pit which he got dug by petitioners' house, in a lane running between Out lots Nos. 71 & 72 in this city by reason of which petitioners house is undermined, who wants to know what steps to take in order to obtain redress.

For the particulars of this case look at the proceedings of the meeting of the Council of April 7, 1851.

Indianapolis,Ind. Augt.2, 1852 Patrick Barrett."

On Motion it was

Ordered, That the City Engineer examines the alley next to Patrick Barrett & report to street commissioner

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whether the grade of the said alley is below proper grade; And if so, the Street Commissioner is hereby directed to notify Harvey Bates to grade it according to the order passed April 7th 1851"

Jacob Miller tendered his resignation as Market Master of E. & W. Markets.

On Motion by Mr.Louden
The Council proceeded to the election of successors.
On the second ballot George Harlan was elected MM of East Market
On the second ballot George Harlan was elected MM of West Market

Mr. V.C.Hanna presented a verbal petition praying that the Council would repair or make anew the tambles on Kentucky avenue on South side of Pogues' Run and on north side of said Kentucky Avenue

Referred to committee on streets & alleys & Councilman of 7th Ward

Mr.Louden presented a scale of prices for town clocks, which was ordered to be filed

On Motion it was

Ordered That the Councilman in 7th ward be directed to have a sidewalk made in front of Cumberland alley along East Street.

On Motion Council adjourned

David V.Cully,Prest.

Attest
Daniel B.Culley
Secy

City Council Chamber
August 7, 1852

Council assembled. Present Messrs Delzell,Buchanan, Fitler, Pitts & Culley

John S.Allen, Assessor presented assessment roll for the year 1852,

The Council, on Motion proceeded to levy the amount of taxes for the current year upon the taxable property of the city as follows:
For General purposes, 15 cents on the $100
For School purposes, 12½ cents on the $100
For Fire Engine purposes 5 cents on the $100
For Town Clock & Bell 2 cents on the $100
For polls on every person subject to pay poll tax $1.--
For Road purposes on every person subject to pay Road tax $1.

Mr.Fitler moved that $2 be levied on all dogs;
which Motion did not prevail

Mr.Delzell moved that $1 be levied on all dogs;
which Motion did not prevail

On Motion
The Council appointed Monday the 14 instant for the hearing and determining all appeals from assessment.

On Motion Adjourned

David V.Culley Prest.

Attest:
Daniel B.Culley Secy C.C.

City Council Chamber
Augt 14th 1852

The Council met to hear and determine appeals from the assessment Roll for the present year,

But as no person appealed from said assessment it was taken to be correct, and it was

Ordered, That the Secretary proceed immediately to the copying of the assessment roll & the assessing of the amounts of taxes ordered by the Council.

On Motion by Mr.Buchanan, it was

Ordered, That the City Engineer be authorized to contract for and superintend the erection of a stone wall in connection with a wall now being erected by V.C.Hannah on the south side of Pogue's Run to extend from said Hannah's wall at the West side of the sidewalk to the abutment of the bridge on Virginia Avenue, and that the Street Commissioner be required to make the fill and protection required under the direction of the City Engineer."

And, On Motion, Council adjourned.

David V.Culley, Prest C.C.

Attest: Daniel B.Culley
Secy C.C.

City Council Chamber
September 6, 1852

City Council met. Present Buchanan, Louden, Delzell, Pitts, Fitler & Culley.

Minutes read of previous meeting and approved.

The Treasurer made monthly report, read and ordered to be filed.

The Street Commissioner made monthly report which was read and approved.

Allowed	Pat Quinn for four days labor			$4.00	
"	E.O'Brien "	2½	" "	2.50	
"	Jno.Cahill "	4½	" "	4.50	
"	Michael O'Brien	11½	" "	11.50	
"	James Kyle	2-3/4	" "	2.75	
"	Hugh Forbes	1/2	" "	.50	
"	Anthony Kelley	1	" "	1.00	
"	Henry Miller	1	" "	1.00	
"	James Conley	1/2	" "	.50	
"	Hugh Slaven H. & C. 1.25¢ per day			5.87	$ 34.12

(1st ward $11.37. 2d ward $2.75. 3 ward $3.50. 4th ward $1.00, 6th ward $5.00, 7th ward $10.50 Total $ 34.12

Accounts

Allowed	Ephraim Croas, amt assessed against E.M.space for improvement of Delaware street	$16.95
"	Nathan Davis for hauling gravel	10.85
"	John P.Meikel for amt 2 accts	8.30
"	John R.Osgood, for 424 yds.of dirt on Ills.street	65.10
"	Culley & Walker, Lumber	11.12
"	Julius Petty Hauling gravel in 4th Ward	15.00
"	E.C.Croas assissting Engineer	1.00
"	I.W.Gordon, professional Services	5.00
"	Ross & Ray, Stationery	2.48
"	John S.Watts, ground rent O.K.B.Co.House	15.00
"	Marion Fire Company Hannaman's bill	11.25
"	Relief Fire Company,Williamson & H.bill	1.00
"	Samuel Hitselgeser,sharpening picks etc.	1.00
"	E.C.Croas,School Fund imp.Del.st.in front of School lots in 2d ward	8.80

The bill of Hill & Rodgers for brick amounting to $53.25 was laid on the table.

The Treasurer was directed to pay King & Kennedy the sum of $400.00 on account of School houses now being built.

Mr.Delzell moved that the fine assessed against Stephen Tomlison by the Mayor for a violation of ordinance in occupying more of the Street than one-third be remitted.
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr.Culley from a selected committee made the following report
"The Select Committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry ladies of the city of Indianapolis praying the passage of "an ordinance to prohibit circuses & menageries from performing or exhibiting on the public grounds of the city have prepared an ordinance on the subject, which they herewith respectfully submit:

The Ordinance was read, & after some amendments, was adopted as follows:

An Ordinance in relation to Circus,Menagaries, etc.etc.
Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis; That hereafter no circus or menagerie shall be allowed to occupy any street, square or public commons belonging to said city for performance or exhibition.
Sect.2. Any person or person acting for a circus or menagerie shall attempt to occupy any street, square or public commons in contravertion of the aforesaid, shall, on conviction be fined in the sum of $50.

Mr.Louden presented a petition praying for the privilege of improving the gutters on North Side of Washington street between Illinois & Tennessee Streets by paving, and receive street scrip in payment.
Mr.Fitler moved to lay it on the table.
The ayes and nays being demanded resulted as follows:
Ayes: Messrs Buchanan, Fitler, Pitts & Culley 4
Nayes " Louden & Delzell 2
It was so laid on the table.

Mr.Culley presented the petition of property holders along Meridian street praying that they be privileged to grade & gravel said street under scrip ordinance.
Laid on table by the following vote:
Ayes Messrs Louden, Buchanan, Fitler, Pitts & Culley 5
No. Mr. Delzell 1

On Motion by Mr.Pitts, it was
Resolved that the Committee on Wells have the wells & pumps at East & West Market Houses put in repair immediately.

Mr.Pitts offered for adoption the following resolution:
Resolved That the committee on Streets and alleys be instructed to have a good & permanent bridge erected across the canal on North side of Washington street for the passage of foot passengers.

Which resultion was not adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Fitler, Pitts & Culley 3
Noes: Louden, Delzell & Buchanan 3

Mr. Delzell moved that the sum of fifty dollars be appropriated for filling mudhole on Market Street, between N.Jersey & East Street provided the committee on Streets and alleys are satisfied that that amount will make a complete and finished improvement, and if not so satisfied not to expend it.
Which motion prevailed.

Mr.Fitler offered the following resolution
Resolved That the Commission of Streets notify Joshua Stevens to pave the sidewalk in front of his property lying along Washington street, south side, between Delaware and Alabama streets.
Adopted.

Mr.Fitler offered the following resolution:
"Resolved,That the committee on bridges be authorized to build a permanent & good bridge over Pogues' Run on Meridian Street". Which was so amended as to require the Committee on Street and allays to report whether the same ban be repaired or a new bridge built and then adopted.

Mr.Fitler offered the following resolution: which was adopted.
"Resolved,That the Commissioner repair bridge over Pogues' Run at crossing of Delaware Street, and make it straight with the Street". Adopted. Also a resolution granting C.Meyer privilege of sinking a well in front of his property near canal, & to grade & gravel gutter, etc. at his expense.

Mr.Louden presented an account of E. Holland for hauling gravel in 3d Ward.

Mr.Pitts demanded the ayes & noes; which resulted as follows:
Ayes. Delzell, Buchanan & Fitler 3
Noes. Pitts & Culley 2
So the account was not allowed.

On Motion $1 was assessed as a tax on all dogs & bitches.

On motion by Mr.Louden
The young men of the city were allowed the use of the Council Chamber as a debating room.

Mr.Culley from a select committee made the following report.

The Committee to whom was referred the matter of examining the Treasurer's accounts to the close of his term, would report that they perform the duty assigned, and found the fund in his hands, as exhibited in his yearly report, correct. The report

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for July, owing, it is supposed, to some error arising from the burning of the duplicate does not compare with the yearly report, in the sum of $165.11, towit:

General Fund $66.18, School Fund $56.69; Fire Fund $28.27, Clock Fund $13.97.

In order to make the two report agree, it would be necessary to credit each of said funds with the sum indicated above. The committee therefore, recommend the approval of the Treasurer's accounts to the close of his term on the fir st of May last, upon such corrections on behalf of the Treasury as before stated.

Sept 6, 1852 Respectfully Submitted
D.V.Culley,Chu

Mr.Culley offered an "Ordinance to repeal the Section in the present Ordinance providing for the issuing of Street Scrip, but before a ballot was had.

The Council adjourned

Attest: David V.Culley, Prest C.C.
Daniel B.Culley
Secy.

City Council Chamber
Tuesday Sept 14, 1852

Council met. Present Messrs Delzell, Buchanan, Pitts, Fitler & Culley, President.
Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved

On Motion, allowed Hill & Rodgers $43.25 for brick furnished for school house wells.

Mr.Culley offered the following:

An ordinance amendatory of an ordinance regulating the "grades of streets and improvement of sidewalks" & for other purposes".

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis, that sections 10, 12, & 13 of the above recited ordinance be, and they are hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. That in all future improvements of streets and alleys, the city shall be at the expense of grading, graveling, or paving, (as the case may be) at the crossings or intersections including the gutters and drains proper to the same, at such crossing or intersections; and the property holderx or holders, shall pay the balance of the expense of improvements, according to the number of feet of lot, by him, her, or them severally owned along the line of the street, alley, sidewalk, or gutter graded, graveled, or paved, as aforesaid.

Sec.3 All orders made by the City Council, where no contracts have been made, or work done under the same contemplating the issuing of scrip under the sections hereby repealed, be, and the same are hereby revoked.

Sec.4. The city shall do and perform her portion of the work as contemplated in the 2d section of this ordinance, at the same time the other parts of the improvements are made by the property holders."

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes:- Messrs Buchanan, Fitler, Pitts & Culley 4
No :- Mr.Delzell 1

Mr.Culley offered the following resolutions:
Resolved That, in the opinion of this Council the city levy on the assessment for the present year ought to be increased ten cents on each $100 worth taxable property, to be expended in constructing public cisterns at convenient points over the city, to supply water in case of fire.

Resolved That the president issue a proclamation to ascertain by a vote of the qualified electors in the city whether they are in favor of the additional levy aforesaid or not". Adopted.

Also, the following resolutions:

Resolved That, in view of the limited supply of water, and the

importance of speedily making provision for an increase, contracts ought to be entered into for constructing five cisterns the present fall, to be located

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as follows: one at the crossing of Delaware & Washington streets, one at the crossing of Ohio & Meridian streets; one at the 3d ward school house; one at McCord's well on Massachusetts Avenue; and one at the crossing of East and Washington streets.

Resolved, That a select committee be appointed (assisted) by the City Engineer to make contacts for the construction of said cisterns on the best terms for the city. Adopted.

The president was appointed said committee.

Mr.Fitler offered the following:
Resolved That the Commissioners of Streets repair the culverts at the crossing of Market and Illinois streets. Adopted.

Mr. Samuel A. Perry tendered his resignation as Assistant Marshal; Accepted.
Allowed S.A.Perry for services $24.00

Mr.Garner petitioned the Council for the privilege of constructing a vault for the storing of coal, in the sidewalk on Washington Street in front of the premises owned and occupied by him."

Granted by his complying strictly with the "ordinance in force regulating that matter.

On Motion by Mr.Pitts
$25 was directed to be applied on West street to remedy some evils complained of, if the committee on Streets & alleys think it proper.

On Motion Council adjourned.
Attest: David V.Culley,President C.C.
Dahiel B.Culley,
Secy C.C.

City Council Chamber
Indianapolis Oct. 4,'52

Council met
On Motion
Allowed Six dollars to purchase map of the State of Indiana.

On Motion adjourned to meet on Wednesday evening next.

Attest: David V.Culley,Prest.
Daniel B.Culley,
Secy.C.C.

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City Council Chamber
Indianapolis, Oct.6, '52

Council met. Present Messrs Delzell, Buchanan, Greer, Pitts, Fitler & Culley, President.

The Treasurer's report read and approved.

The Street Commissioner reported labor done during last month as follows:

In 2d Ward 50¢; 4th Ward $7.50; 5th ward $3.50			$11.50
Orders to issue to:			
John A.Schrader	5½ days labor	5.50	
James Cauley	5½ " "	5.50	
Thomas Conner	1/2 " "	.50	11.50

Allowed E.Croase, for hauling gravel, 1st ward	2.40
" John Fike " " " "	1.00
" Nathan Davis " " 3d & 4th wards	10.50
" William H.Jones for Market Hooks	9.00
" Brown & McVey " Lumber	83.68
" Elder & Harkness	36.84
" Relief Engine Co.Rent of Engine House for Year "F.T.F.	20.00
" " " " Sal.Messenger & Repairs of force pump etc.	34.50

The Secretary announced the result of the election ordered by the Council Sept. 14, 52 as follows. For Tax,169 votes, agt. 166 votes, being a majority of 3 votes in favor of the assessments: whereupon it was

Ordered That the Secretary proceed immediately to the assessing a tax of 10 cents on the one hundred dollars worth of taxable property upon the Duplicate for the present year.

Resolutions.

Mr.Fitler offered the following:

Resolved That the Committee on Markets contract by public bids for a new roof for the East Market House; also, to have the old part brought to a level with the new; and also, to have the outer edge of the pavement of the East & West Market Houses graveled so as to make dry walks and to run the water from the houses outward.

Adopted.

Mr.Delzell offered the following:

Resolved That the Street Commissioners be directed to make gravel walks on East Street where the same crosses Ohio & Market Street.

Adopted.

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Mr.Fitler offered the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire Department have two shutes placed in the w ells in front of the Branch Bank. Adopted.

Mr.Fitler offered the following:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Streets be directed to gravel the gutter at the crossing of Washington & Tennessee Streets with coarse gravel". Adopted.

Mr. Pitts offered the following:

"Resolved, That an appropriation of $150 be made to purchase a new hose carriage for the use of the Western Liberties Fire Company, to be constructed under the direction of the Company by and with the consent of the Committee on the Fire Department. Adopted.

Mr.Culley offered the following:

Resolved That the Committee superintending the construction of the City School houses be authorized to procure seats, stoves & furniture for the same, as the same are furnished and made ready for use.

On Motion by Mr.Fitler:

The Councilman of the 6th Ward was authorized to expend a sum not to exceed fifteen dollars on the street leading to the Grave Yard to correct evils complained of.

Mr.Buchanan presented the following Petition.

The undersigned, citizens owning property along the West side of East street from Washington to Louisiana streets being desirous of grading and graveling their sidewalks respectfully petition your honorable body for permission so to do, and pray you to direct the setting of grade stakes. For which we will ever pray.

Signed by Fred Ostermyer 195 ft; M ' I.Little 300 ft; Joshua Black 45 feet; S & H Seibert 45 ft; Joseph Heinbach 45 ft; Nick Schendorf 50 feet & John Hanna 45 feet.

On Motion, The prayer of the petition was granted, and it was

Ordered That the City Engineer be directed to set the grade for the same.

On Motion by Mr.Pitts:
The correcting of an evil in West street which was directed to be done under the direction of the committee of Streets and alleys at the meeting of Sept 14 be made the duty of the Street Commissioner.

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The President was authorized to contract for wells & pumps to be located near the five cisterns ordered to be built by the City Council.

On Motion by Mr.Buchanan it was
Ordered That the Street Commissioner be authorized to notify the proper person to have culverts built under the Union Railroad track at East street so as to give free passage to water from that street to the creek. And on the failure on their part so to do, the Street Commissioners to make a tunnel through said road for the purpose above stated.

No further business being presented, on Motion the Council adjourned.

David V.Culley, Prest

Attest:
Daniel B.Culley, Secy C.C.

Special Meeting

City Council Chamber
October 18, 1852

The Council upon a call of the President, met to consider the propriety of constructing an additional number of cisterns to be used in cases of fire.

Louden and Fitler absent.

Location of cisterns laid over till next meeting.

The Marshall announced the appointment of P.Winchall as assistant. The appointment was confirmed.

On Motion by Mr.Delzell,
The Robson family were allowed a license for the Atheneum for five days for ten dollars per day.

Adjourned to meet Monday evening next.

Attest: Daniel B.Culley
Secy C.C. David V.Culley, Prest.

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Special Meeting

City Council Chamber
October 25, 1852

Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present Messrs Delzell,Fitler, Pitts,Louden, Culley.

The following petition was received:

To The honorable the City Council of Indianapolis:

We the undersigned residents of the City of Indianapolis believing that the want of our city requires a new hay scale for public weighing, do respectfully petition your honorable body to purchase or cause to be purchased one which shall be accurate, durable & substantial for the general use and advantage of our citizens.

Signed John E.Fondray and others.

Referred to Committee consisting of Messrs Delzell,Louden, and Culley, with instructions to report an ordinance regulating the weight and sale of Stone coal in the city.
The Council proceeded to locate an additional number of public cisterns but before completing the same, on Motion, adjourned, to the regular meeting.
David V.Culley,Prest.
Attest,Daniel B.Culley,Secy C.C.

Regular Meeting

City Council Chamber
November 1, 1852

Council met. Present Messrs Buchanan,Fitler,Pitts,Delżell,Greer & Culley, President.

The Treasurer's Report for October read and approved.

The Street Commissioner's Report for October read, and the following allowances made:

James Kile	Labor	2½ days	$ 2.50	
Wm. Langen	"	5½ "	5.50	
Thomas O'Brien	"	4½ "	4.50	
Michael Ward	"	2½ "	2.50	
Thomas Ward	"	1/2"	.50	
M.Donahue	"	1/2"	.50	
John Forbes	"	2 "	2.00	
John O'Brien	"	1 "	1.00	
Hugh Slaven	"	Bill	31.00	$ 50.00

Allowed	I.Donavan Posting Bills	2.50
"	G.W.Harlin M.House expense	2.80
"	E.Hutchinson Night watch	4.00
"	S.Stephen " "	4.00
"	E.R.McDoagal " "	4.00
"	James Stapp " "	4.50
"	Philip Socks Rep.Grave Yard	25.00
"	Patrick Finn Labor	5.00
"	James Mahoney "	8.00
"	Marion Fire Company Messenger	20.00
"	Washington Smith 6 days hauling gravel	12.00
"	Walker & Vandegrift Lumber	1.65

I.P.Meikel acpt for filling in Maryland Street west of canal bridge, of $10.75 referred to Committee on streets and alleys.

On Motion by Mr.Greer

The Committee on wells were instructed to examine all the public wells and if the water in any be shallow to have them deepened, & also to have all the school house pumps put in good order.

Mr.Pitts, chairman of the committee on Market Houses announced the reception of several bids for the covering of the East Market House, and the bid of A.Wilson being the lowest it was accepted by the Council, & the Committee were instructed to contract with the said Wilson according to the proposition made by him.

Mr.Culley presented an ordinance relative to the opening of markets. On Motion, laid on the table.

Mr.Pitler offered the following:

"Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis, that on and after November the ninth 1852, the Market shall be opened as follows, towit., at the West Market House on Tuesdays and Fridays of each week, and at the East Market House on Wednesdays & Saturdays, at daylight, and that all ordinances in contravention of this ordinance be and they are hereby repealed."

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes. Messrs Delzell, Buchanan, Pitts & Greer 4
Noes " Pitts & Culley 2

Mr.Fitler offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved That the Commissioner of Streets notify the agent of Lawrenceburg & Upper Mississippi Railroad Co. to gravel the sidewalk in front of Block No. 101 on Virginia Avenue and fronting Louisiana Street. Adopted.

Mr.Delzell offered for adoption the following resolution:

"Resolved that the City Council purchase fifty Buckets for the use of the OK Bucket Company" & that the Committee on the fire department contract for the same." Adopted.

Mr.Buchanan offered for adoption the following resolution:

"Resolved That the Commissioners of Streets let to the lowest bidder the paving in front of I.Steven's property on South side of Washington Street between Delaware and Alabama Streets". Adopted.

On Motion by Mr.Fitler it was

Resolved That the Commissioner of Streets gravel the south gutter at the crossing of Pennsylvania and Washington Street, south side with coarse gravel. Adopted.

On Motion, The Council proceeded to the location of cisterns, as follows:

1st Ward, 1 at crossing of Ohio & East Streets, 1 at the corner of East & Massachusetts Avenue
2d " 1 at crossing of Pennsylvania & Michigan Streets
3d " 1 at crossing of Illinois & Michigan Streets, 1 at crossing of Market & Tennessee Street
4th " 1 on Washington near Carlisle House
5th " 1 at crossing of South & Tennessee Streets
6th " 1 at crossing of Georgia & Meridian sts, 1 at crossing of Pennsylvania & South Streets
7th " 1 at crossing of East & Louisiana Streets; 1 at crossing of South & Alabama Streets; ' 1 at crossing of Merrill and Alabama Steets

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The President reported that S.Comegys and Joseph McCord were desirous of purchasing the lot owned by the City in the Second Ward, known as the School lot on Massachusetts Avenue, and proposed to pay for the same $700 in installments $200 payable in March next, & the balance in three yearly installments with interest from Nov. 1st. 1852.

On Motion it was

Resolved That the proposition of Comegys & McCord for the purchase of School lot in 2d Ward, be accepted on the terms proposed; and that the President & Secretary execute a bond to said party to make a deed on behalf of the Council on the payment therefor, according to the terms of this proposition.

The following petition was presented and read:

"To the Honorable, the City Council

Your petitioners, owning property, pray your honorable body to order the grading and graveling of the sidewalks in front of Square No.52, lying along Washington Street &, also to order the grading and graveling of gutter in front of said Square lying along Washington Street.

Signed by the owners of a majority of feet along the line of said improvement.

Isabel Alford pre. Wm.Van B	102 ft
James Geuth	100 "
Charles Meyer	33 "

On Motion

Ordered That the City Engineer give grade marks, and the Street Commissioner notify the property holders to grade and gravel said sidewalk and gutter within thirty days.

On Motion by Mr.Greer

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to confer with the architect erecting the Bate's House, of the probability and expense of placing the town clock in the cupalo of said house, and report thereon as soon as possible.

Mr.Buchanan was authorized to pave crossing in 7th Ward.

On Motion by Mr.Delzell,

The Council subscribed for three copies of City map for use of the officers of the City, & 1 copy for each ward school house.

On Motion

The Council adjourned. David V.Culley,President

Attest: Daniel B.Culley, Secy C.C.

City Council
December 1, 1852

Council met. Present Messrs Delzell, Louden, Pitts, Greer, Filter, Buchanan & Culley.
Minutes of preceeding meeting read and approved.
The Treasurer made report for the month ending November, 1853, read and approved.

The Street Commissioner made monthly report, read and approved.

Allowed Michael O'Brien	8½ days				8.50
do Thomas O'Brien	1 "				1.00
do John O'Brien	3½ "				3.50
do Anthony Kelly	1 "				1.00
do James Kile	2½ "				2.50
do Martin Pulsch	1/2 "				.50
do Hugh Slaven	8½ "	2 carts	2.50		21.25
do do	1 "	scraping	1		
		Nuisance	75		1.75
					$40.00
do Michael O'Brien Digging 2 Pits			3.00		
do Michael Ward do			1.00		4.00

On Motion by Mr.Greer the regular order of business was suspended to give the persons in waiting an opportunity to make known their wishes of the Council.

Mr. Wm. Sheets upon leave, petitioned the Council to forbid the Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad from laying their track on Louisiana Street between Mississippi & Tennessee Streets;

Mr.Greer offered for adoption the following resolution:
Resolved That the City Marshal be instructed to notify the President of the Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad Company not to excavate or lay the track of said road in Louisiana Street, east of Mississippi Street, and that,if said company persist in laying said track, then to remove said track.

On Motion, the resolution was made the order of the day for Monday next.

Mr.Greer offered the following resolution for adoption:
Resolved That the City Attorney examine the ordinance, granting to the Lafayette & Indianapolis Rail Road Company, the privilege of entering the city, whether the same allowed the said company to enter the Union Depot by running on Louisiana Street, and report his opinion to this Council without delay". Adopted.

Mr. Berry Sulgrove President of the Fire Association appeared before the Council, and petitioned the Council to adopt an ordinance giving to the Fire Association certain powers therein provided for

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Referred to Committee on the Fire Department, with instruction to report on Friday evening next.

Allowed	I.Marquis for hauling 7 loads furniture to 2 d W S H	1.40
"	Christopher Crosly for paving in front of I.Stevens property	33.68

Ordered That the amount of the above account be given to Treasurer with instruction to collect it as other taxes are.

Allowed	W.L. & I.F.Wingate for candles	1.15
"	Mothershead & Bullard Brick for public well	2.00
"	J.D.Deprees Printing account to date	25.00
"	Delzell & Tyler Books for City	23.00
"	Caleb Scudder Mayor's expense	50.00
"	Joseph Curzen Superintending erection of S.H.	115.00
"	C & I Cox 3 stoves etc. 6th W.S.H.	33.80
"	C & I Cox Bal. on stove,etc. 7 W.S.H.	10.80

Mr.Neill & Rodgers account for $13.00 for Brick, was, on Motion referred to the committee on Wells, etc.

James Donavan's Bill for posting Bills ordered to be returned to him for explanation.

Henry S.Kellog's Bill, referred to Secretary for the purpose of inquiry.

On Motion, allowed each Judge, Inspector & Clerk who served at the Special election October 2d 1852, the sum of one dollars.

Messrs. Kerlin & Fitzgibbon's bill for $84.50 for dirt placed upon Delaware Street South of Pogues Run, was, on motion, laid on the table.

Mr.Delzell offered the following resolution

"Resolved, That the committee on the Fire Department be authorized to purchase a hose carriage for Invincible Fire Company No.2; not to exceed the sum of three hundred dollars.

Adopted by the following vote

Ayes:- Messrs Louden,Delzell,Fitler,Greer,Culley

Nays:- Messrs Pitts & Buchanan

Mr.Delzell offered the following resolution.

Resolved That the committee on the Fire Department be directed to purchase 800 feet of hose for the use of Invincible Fire Company No.2. Adopted.

Mr.Greer offered for adoption the following resolution.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Council the Marshal is not discharging his duty to the public, and that by engaging in the slaughtering business and leaving the duties of his

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office to be discharged by others, he has virtually abandoned his office.

Resolved, That the Marshal be furnished by the Secretary with a copy of the foregoing resolution & requested to appear before the Council at its meeting on Friday evening next, if he thinks proper, to show cause, if any, he can show, why he should not be removed." Adopted.

Mr.Pitts offered for adoption the following resolution:

"Ordered That the Secretary issue orders on the Treasury to Messrs King & Kenneday for the 2d & 3d installments for building school houses in the 2d, 4th & 6th wards payable according to the conditions of their contract".

Mr.Buchanan reported the reception of bids for the making of fire Buckets, John S.Eckert was the successful bidder.

Ordered, That the Fire Department contract with J.S.Eckert at the price bid.

A letter was read from A.Wilson asking a change in the piers in the old part of the East Market House to correspond with the piers in the new part.

On Motion it was

Ordered , That the piers be taken down in the old part and others erected to correspond with those in the new part at an expense not to exceed twenty five dollars."

Mr.Fitler offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Commissioner of Streets notify the President of the Gas Company to repair the crossing of Washington Street at Pennsylvania Street, Alabama & New Jersey Streets in slanting with coarse gravel."

Adjourned to meet on Friday evening.

David V.Culley,President

Attest:

Daniel B.Culley, Secy

City Council Chamber
December 10, 1852

Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present Messrs Louden,Delzell, Buchanan,Fitler,Greer,Pitts, & Culley, President.

The President announced the order of business to be the reception of a report from the Fire Department Committee relative to ordinance referred to them at last meeting:

Mr.Buchanan, Chairman of the Committee on the Fire Department, made the following report:

"The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred an ordinance relative to the Fire Association of Indianapolis respectfully return the same without amendment and recommend its passage."

George W.Buchanan
George W.Pitts

The ordinance after being read Section by Section, was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Berry R.Sulgrove, a committee of one, on the part of the Marion Fire Company, appeared and read a petition of said company praying that the Council pay their Secretary a yearly compensation.
On Motion by Mr.Greer
The prayer of the petitioners was laid on the table.

The Marshal appeared according to the notice furnished him, and after making some explanatory remarks in regard to his absence from his post, stated if it was in accordance with the wishes of the Council he would be at his post again in a week or more at farthest.
On Motion, the whole proceedings were indefinitely postponed.

Allowed	R.L.McOuat(fourth Ward School House)	$10.85
"	C.Youngerman,amt of Expense incurred in purchasing etc. a lot sold by Treasury for taxes, illegally	4.19

Mr.Pitts presented a petition praying the Council to cause a bridge to be built across North Street over Canal;
On Motion by Mr.Greer
The whole matter was referred to the committee on Streets alleys with instructions to report at next Regular Meeting.

Mr.Greer offered for adoption the following resolution:
Resolved,That the Committee on Streets and Alleys inquire into the expediency of building a bridge over the canal on South Street"
Adopted.

Mr.Greer offered the following resolution:
Resolved That a select committee be appointed to inquire

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into the safety of the bridge across canal on Maryland Street , & if unsafe or any ways defective to report at next regular meeting." Adopted. Messrs Louden,Culley & Fitler were appointed said committee.

Mr.Culley offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets and alleys procure a plan a bridge of suitable breath & capacity to meet the travel & business at the crossings of Streets. Adopted.

Mr.Fitler offered for adoption the following

Resolved That the City Attorney inquire into and by what authority the Plank Roads Company claims Washington Street from the East line to the River, and report the same at the next regular meeting of the Council". Adopted.

Mr.Delzell in behalf of the Invincible Fire Co. No.2 petitioned the Council for an appropriation of an amount sufficient to planks & studding to build a temporary Engine House. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

The Council adjourned to meet again on Monday evening next.

Attest: David V.Culley,President

Daniel B.Culley,Secy.C.C.

City Council Chamber
December 13, 1852

Council met. Present a full Council save Mr.Delzell.

The resolution of Mr.Greer offered on the evening of December 6th 1852, having been made the order of the day, was broken up, and read as follows:

"Resolved That the City Marshal be instructed to notify the President of the Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad not to excavate or lay the track of said road in Louisiana Street east of Mississippi Street, and that, if said Company persist in laying their track, then to remove said track."

Mr.Greer asked & was granted leave to alter the phraseology of his resolution so as to read, that they be instructed "not to lay the track of said road on North half of Louisiana Street."

The question being put "shall the resolution be adopted" it was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Fitler & Greer	2
Noes: Messrs Louden,Buchanan,Pitts,Culley	4

The City Attorney read the following paper in compliance with the resolution requiring his opinion as to whether the ordinance of the City Council heretofore adopted, "allowed the "Lafayette and Indianapolis Railroad" Company to enter the Union Depot by running on Louisiana Street.

"To the City Council of Indianapolis:

Having been called on by you to give an opinion whether "the ordinance authorizing the Lafayette and Indianapolis Railroad to construct a track through the City of Indianapolis" etc., allows said company to enter the Union Depot by running on Louisiana Street, I respectfully submit the following:

The language of the ordinance touching the point in question is as follows: "thence" (from Georgia Street) "it" (the said Railroad) shall be constructed in as near a straight line as possible, crossing Kentucky Avenue to Louisiana at or near the location of the Terre Haute and Richmond Railroad". The purpose of the ordinance was, doubtless, to allow the Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad to connect with the Union track at some convenient point on Louisiana Street at or near the Terre Haute & Richmond Railroad Depot, and that in crossing from Georgia street to the point of termination the curve should be as short as practicable so as to occupy the smallest amount of any particular private property consistent with a convenient use of the road. But the language of the ordinance indicates that it was the intention of the City Council that private property should be occupied by

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said roads up to a point where it is necessary to cross Louisiana Street to effect a junction with the Union Track; and that Louisiana Street should only be traversed by said road the smallest distance compatible with a connection with the Union track. It certainly would require language different from that contained in the Ordinance to allow the said Railroad to run up Louisiana Street some five hundred or six hundred feet to obtain a connection with the Union track, if such connection could be attained by passing through private property up to the point of crossing. Albert G.Porter, City Attorney

Mr.Culley offered the following resolutions:

Resolved That the Terre Haute & Richmond Railroad Company be required to remove or adjust their tracks running along Louisiana street, so as to allow the Lafayette and Indianapolis Railroad Company to enter the Union track at the nearest practicable point by running on the South side or half of said Louisiana Street, not further than the track now occupied by the Terre Haute & Richmond Railroad Company.

Resolved That in the opinion of this Council the said Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad Company are authorized by the ordinance heretofore passed" to connect with the Union track at the nearest practicable point on South side of Louisiana Street: Provided, the curves of entrance shall not extend beyond the East Side of Mississippi Street."

Resolved That the City Engineer be requested to meet with the several Engineers of the Terre Haute & Richmond, and the Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad Companies, in adjusting the tracks of said roads under the foregoing resolutions:

After some remarks the resolutions were adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Messrs Louden,Greer,Pitts & Culley 4
Noes:- " Buchanan & Fitler 2

Mr. Fitler offered the following:

Resolved That the City Clerk report to the Council the amount which has been expended by the present City Council at its next meeting." Adopted.

Mr.Fitler offered the following:

Whereas The Central Railroad Company, the Lawrenceburg & Upper Mississippi Railroad Company, and the Terre Haute & Richmond Railroad Company have not complied with the City Ordinances:

Resolved, That The City Attorney examine the ordinances under which these Railroads come into the city

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proper and what right, if any, they have to use the Streets of the same, and report the same to the City Council at the next meeting." Adopted.

Mr. Buchanan offered the following:
"Resolved, That the committee on Streets and alleys be required to examine and repair a bad piece of road on the Michigan Road East". Adopted.

A petition from a number of persons praying that the fines against them for a violation of the Market Ordinance be remitted was received and on motion, laid on the table.

Allowed, Brouse & Lockwood, for (S.H.Purposes) $334.85.

On Motion adjourned to meet again on Friday evening next.

Attest: David V.Culley,President
Daniel B.Culley,Secy C.C.

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Special Meeting

Friday, December 17th, 1852

Council met. Present Messrs Delzell,Pitts,Fitler,Buchanan and Culley, President.

Allowed	James Donavan	Bill Posting	5.20	
"	R.L.McOuat	Stove & pipe 4th Ward	10.85	
"	do	Sprinkling pot	.50	
"	Wm.Haughey	Labor 7th Ward 2 days	2.00	
"	Jno.Clark	Do " " 1 "	1.00	
"	Jno.Ferry	Do " " 1/2 "	.50	
"	Sanford Morris	Glass Lantern	.50	
"	J.H.Vagen	Hatchet	.60	
"	John Fralie	Removing partition 3d Ward Sch.H.	1.00	
"	Hannaman & Duzan	Glass for do	2.24	
"	Washington Smith	Labor	20.81	$ 45.20

On Motion by Mr. Pitts, it was
"Resolved,That the City Attorney be requested to draft an ordinance regulating the weight of coal per Bushel, and for the measurement for wood"

Mr. John Moffitt's proposition for building a town clock, was referred, with other papers referring to that matter, to the committee appointed on the subject of a location.

William Y.Wiley & Obed Foote petitioned the City Council for the appointments as City Auctioneers; on Motion, granted by them complying with the ordinance in all respects.

Mr.Culley offered the following:

Resolved, That until an ordinance be passed to organize the City Schools and Districts, the Superintendents heretofore appointed be requested to the schools in the same District:" Adopted.

Mr.Delzell from the Committee of Streets and alleys presented the following report.

"Your committee to whom was referred the petition of C.W.Cady and others, praying that the Council order the building of a bridge across Pogue's Run at the crossing of Noble Street, respectfully report favorable to the prayer of the petitioner, & recommend that the improvements prayed for be ordered". On Motion Laid on the table (for the present)

On Motion by Mr.Pitts, the Council adjourned to meet again Monday evening next. David V.Culley,Prest.
Attest: David B.Culley,Secy.

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Regular Meeting
Monday Jany.3d,1853

Council met pursuant to ordinance.
Present Messrs Louden,Delzell,Buchanan,Pitts & Culley.

The Treasurer presented his monthly report, read and approved.
The Street Commissioner made monthly report,read and
On Motion by Mr.Louden, returned to Street Commissioner for explanation.

Allowed	Associate Reform Church,advancement for Imp. of St.	6.78
"	A.J.Buckhart,glazing,etc.4th Ward School house	.75
"	Western Liberties Fire Co.Incidental Expenses	27.25
"	Comegys & McCord Building temporary Bridge on Ohio st.	40.00
"	Western Liberties Fire Company,Messenger's expense	25.00
"	Marion Fire Company,Incidental Expenses	23.80
"	C.King Six pits & Privies School fund	85.00
"	James Conway removing nuisance	1.50
"	Thomas Buchanan to putting Shutes in public well	2.00
"	J.O.Marquis hauling 2.20,removing Nuisance .25	2.45
"	James Woods City Engineers Expense	117.00
"	Langsdale & Barth	2.60
"	A.Wilson Advances on covering East M.House	140.00
"	C.Youngerman,for amt.paid for taxes on property sold illegally	1.65
		535.78

James H.Kenneday, from the Hook & Ladder Company, appeared before the Council and prayed that the Council appropriate the sum of one hundred & twenty five dollars for the building of a house for the said Hook & Ladder Company's apparatus;

Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department with instructions to report at next meeting.

Mr.Pitts from the committee on Streets & alleys, etc. made the following report:

"The committee whom was referred the subject of building two bridges one in the 5th Ward & one in the 4th Ward, across the canal, recommends the City Council to make a sufficient appropriation to do the same as soon as practicable. George W.Pitts"

Laid over till next meeting.

Mr.Delzell offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the City Marshal be directed to make a culvert on Noble Street at the crossing of Union Railroad, at the expense of said Company". Adopted.

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Mr.Louden offered the following:

"Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to make a sidewalk from the North west corner of the West Market House on Ohio Street running to Mississippi Street on the South side of Ohio Street, thence North to the North side of Ohio Street to sidewalk." Adopted.

Mr.Buchanan, from the Committee on the fire Department, made the following report:

"The committee on the Fire Department report that under instructions of the Council they have rented a house of Longbrain on New Jersey Street near Washington Street, for the Invincible Fire Company, No.2, at and for three dollars per month." Adopted.

Mr.Buchan, Chairman of committee on the Fire Department, made the following report:

"Your committee respectfully report that they have examined the fifty buckets which they directed to contract for the making with John. S.Eckert, and find the same such as they are willing to receive and recommends that the said Eckert be allowed one hundred and thirty seven dollars."

Thomas Buchanan
George W.Pitts &
S.Delzell."

Allowed, Jno.S.Eckert, for making 50 Fire Buckets $137.50

On Motion, Adjourned to meet Monday Evening next.

Attest: David V.Culley,President
Daniel B.Culley
Secy C.Council

Adjourned Meeting

Monday Evening, Jany. 10, 1852

Council met. Present Messrs Louden, Delzell, Buchanan, Fitler, Pitts and Culley.
Minutes of the regular meeting read and approved.
On Motion by Mr. Louden
The Council proceeded to the selection of three Trustees for Common Schools under the provisions of the General School Law. Messrs H.P.Coburn, Calvin Fletcher and H.F.West were selected.

The following paper from Albert S.White was read and ordered to be entered with the minutes.

Lafayette, December 20th 1852

City Council of Indianapolis:

When the Council voted down the proposition to exclude our company from occupying the North half of Louisiana Street on our way to the Union track, it virtually affected our right by the resolution which they passed but at the same time requested or directed the Terre Haute Company to give us room in the south side. You recollect I expressed my willingness to pursue the last named track if we could do so without objection from or controversy with the Terre Haute Company and I said at the same time that if these circumstances compelled us to occupy the ground North of the Terre Haute track we could not do so until we had first given the Council notice.

I have now to inform the Council that I immediately addressed Mr. Rose, President of the Terre Haute Road, asking his consent for us to switch into their track at Mississippi Street, unless he chose to adopt the alternative presented by the Council of removing their track far enough South to allow ours to occupy their present position. This last arrangement he declines because that Track is laid straight to the river bridge and all their turnouts, shops, etc. are adapted to it as laid. The change he says would be attended with great inconvenience and expense. And he adds that he can by no means consent to our switching into their track at Mississippi Street on account of the danger of collisions as our trains from the North cannot be observed when Block 89 shall be built up.

Under these circumstances we cannot avail ourselves of the right of way granted by the Council and sanctioned I am sure by the public sentiment of the town, without a controversy with the Terre Haute Company, or else running our line alongside of and North of their present track to Tennessee street. Mr.Rose consents that we shall place the two tracks as close together as possible so as only to leave two feet between the cars. This will require but the occupancy of some five or six feet North of the centre of the Street, & will really save the confusion

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and danger which the occupancy of a single track by two companies would produce. The Council did not intend to throw us into the attitude of litigation with the Terre Haute Company nor compel us to await the result of any such controvercy. We have thirty or forty new cars to get on to our track from the Madison and Bellfontaine Roads, and the exchange of commerce require that we, like all the other roads should have a speedy connection with the Union Track, and the Council surely will not blame us for arriving there on ground sanctioned by them although they would have preferred a track further South.

Capt. T.A.Morris will no doubt give fair and impartial professional Council as to the mechanical difficulties in the way of removing the Terre Haute Track, or the practicable operation of a double track west of Tennessee street, as it already exists east.

I have given this notice in accordance with my promise although the resolution of the Council affirming our right was passed posterior to my promise.

Very Respectfully Yours,
A.S.White,Prest.L & I.R.R.Co.

Mr.Wm.Sheets presented the following remonstrance - read and ordered to be entered with the minutes:-

"To the City Council of Indianapolis:

The undersigned being the owner of Block No.89 in said city, fronting 420 feet on Louisiana Street, hereby remonstrates against permission being granted to the Indianapolis & Lafayette Railroad Company to occupy any part of said street fronting said property, in grading, laying down, and maintaining the track of said road.

Respectfully, Wm. Sheets

Indianapolis,January 10,1853"

The further consideration of this matter was laid over till Friday evening.

The City Attorney's reply to certain resolutions was read, as follows:

"To the City Council of Indianapolis:

The following preamble and resolution, passed by your honorable body have been handed to me by your Secretary viz:

Whereas, The Central Railroad Company, the Lawrenceburg & Upper Mississippi Railroad Company and the Terre Haute & Richmond Railroad Company have not complied with the City ordinances;

Resolved, That the City Attorney be and is hereby instructed to examine the ordinances under which the above named Railroads come into the city proper and by what right, if any, they have to use the Streets within the same; and report the same to the City Council at the next meeting."

The only conditions precedent to the right of the Lawrenceburg & Upper Mississippi Railroad Cpmpany, and the Indiana Central Railway Company to lay their respective tracks through the Streets named in the ordinances is that the former shall have made it appear satisfactory to the City Council that they have procured a sufficient quantity of grounds, fronting on Louisiana Street to make the same 80 feet in width, and shall have proceeded publicly, to open and grade the same to said width of 80 feet east of East street and that the latter shall have made it appear Satisfactorily to the City Council they have procured a sufficient quantity of ground south of Maryland Street fronting thereon, to make said street 80 feet in width, and shall have proceeded publicly to open and grade the same to the said width of 80 feet of East Street.

These conditions are contained in the second section respectively of the ordinances in relation to the occupation of streets by said Railroads.

For a breach of any others of the provisions of said ordinances the remedy is by an action of debt prosecuted in the name of the City Council except the provisions in relation to the rate of speed at which the cars shall run, for a breach of which the remedy is by an action for the penalty.

Section 5 of the ordinance "in relation to the Terre Haute & Richmond Railroad Company occupy Louisiana Street", provides that so soon as an order of the Board of Directors of the Railroad Company assenting to these conditions, (meaning the preceeding Section of the ordinance) is made and a certified copy filed with the Secretary of the City Council the foregoing order granting the use of said Street and privileges as stated shall be considered in force, etc. The filing of such certified copy of such order of said Board is of course a condition to be complied with before said Company could have the right to lay the Track of their Road upon Louisiana street, or be entitled to any of the privileges named in the ordinances.

The same Sections provides that a failure of the Company to comply with the condition named above in the ordinance or any one of them, shall forfeit all rights and privileges therein granted.

Respectfully Submitted,
Albert G.Porter,
City Attorney"

The Secretary announced the acceptance on the part of the Terre Haute & Richmond Railroad Company of the ordinance relative to the occupancy of Louisiana Street.

Mr.Buchanan of the 7th Ward offered the following: "Resolved That the City Attorney immediately commence proper legal proceedings against the Indiana Central Railway Company for a violation of"an ordiance in relation to the occupation of Maryland Street by the Indiana Central Railway Company". Adopted.

Allowed J.B.Fitler & Co. for chairs etc. furnished City Schools 8.35
" M.Smock repairing pump at Youngermans Corner .75

On Motion Adjourned to meet Friday Evening.
Attest:- David V.Culley,President
Daniel B.Culley,Secy C.C.

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City Council Chamber
Friday January 14,1853

Adjourned Meeting

Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present Messrs Delzell,Louden, Buchanan,Fitler,Pitts,Greer & Culley.
Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

The President announced the object of the meeting to be to consider the question of the occupancy of Louisiana street between Mississippi Street & Tennessee by the Lafeyette and Indianapolis Railroad Company.

The City Engineer presented the following report:
"The following resolutions were passed by the City Council on the 13th of December last, in relation to the Railroad track on Louisiana Street, viz:

'That the Terre Haute and Richmond Railroad Company be requested to remove or adjust their track running along Louisiana Street so far as to allow the Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad Company to enter the Union Track at the nearest practicable point by running on the South side or half of said Louisiana Street not farther North than the Track now occupied by the Terre Haute and Richmond Railroad Company."

'That in the opinion of the Council the said Lafayette and Indianapolis Railroad Company are authorized by the ordinance heretofore passed to connect with the Union track at the nearest practicable point on South side of Louisiana Street: Provided The curve of entrance shall not extend beyond the East side of Mississippi Street.'

'That the City Engineer be requested to meet with the several engineers of the Terre Haute and Richmond and the Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad Companies in adjusting the tracks of said road under the fore-

going resolution."

The undersigned reports to the Council that he met with the Engineer of the Terre Haute and Richmond Railroad Company but an opportunity has not been afforded for meeting with the Engineer of the Lafayette and Indianapolis Railroad and that he has not been able to affect an arrangement, whereby the Tracks running along Louisiana Street can be adjusted or removed so as not more than one half of the Street shall be used for Railroad purposes. In that event, the undersigned deemed it his duty to measure the distance said tracks were laid from the South side of Louisiana Street at the East side of Mississippi Street and found the North rail of the Terre Haute and Richmond Railroad Track 37 feet 10 inches, and the north rail of the Lafayette and

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Indianapolis Railroad track 57 feet. The curve of the Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad track, the undersigned also measured and found that it extended 120 feet beyond the East side of Mississippi Street. The Council will perceive from these measurements that the Lafayette and Indianapolis Railroad track occupies 12 feet of the north half of Louisiana Street at the east side of Mississippi Street and that the curve of said track terminated 120 feet beyond the East side of said Mississippi Street which, in the opinion of the undersigned, is contrary to the Spirit of the resolutions, and a violation thereof.

After carefully considering the subject in all its bearings, it occured to the undersigned that, in a few years, there will be a considerable deficiency of Space on Louisiana Street for railroad traffic and city purposes, the Railroad Companies should immediately purchase from the owners of Squares and Lots on the north side of Louisiana Street, a Strip of ground 30 feet in width, between West Street and Meridian Streets, and that said strip of ground should be conveyed by deed to the city of Indianapolis to form of Louisiana Street, and that said Companies should be restricted to the occupancy of the South half of the Street, and that the north half should be exclusively reserved for the Special use of the citizens and the public generally. This arrangement, in the opinion of the undersigned, would be highly advantageous to the Railroad Companies, and very desirable to the citizens of Indianapolis, and might possibly prevent a collision likely to occur between the city and the Railroad Companies in regard to their taking and presently occupying more than one half of Louisiana Street.

Respectfully Submitted,
James Wood, City Engineer

Indianapolis, Jany. 24, 1853

Laid on the table.

Mr. Fitler offered the following resolution:

"Whereas, William Sheets, being the owner of Block No. 89, in the City of Indianapolis has remonstrated against permission being granted to the Indianapolis & Lafayette Railroad Company to lay down and maintain

the track of said road on Louisiana Street opposite said property; and Whereas, by a resolution of the City Council, the Indianapolis and Lafayette Company were restricted from laying down said track north of the present track of the Terre Haute road; and Whereas, said Lafayette Company disregarding said restrictions, are laying down said track north of the track of said Terre Haute Company, and there setting the action of the

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City Council at defiance; Therefore,

Resolved, That the City Attorney is hereby instructed to proceed forthwith to enjoin said Lafayette and Indianapolis Railroad Company from the use of said street for the purposes aforesaid."

Which was lost by the following vote:
Ayes:- Messrs. Buchanan,Fitler & Greer
Noes:- Messrs Louden,Delzell,Pitts & Culley

At the request of Mr.Sheets the vote was reconsidered on motion by Mr.Louden.

The preamble and resolution was debated by Messrs Greer,Pitts & Fitler.

By permission Messrs White and O'Neal addressed the Council Mr.Sheet, remonstrated, also spoke upon the subject.

The question recurring upon the adoption or rejection of the preamble and resolution it was again lost by the following vote:
Ayes. Messrs Buchanan,Fitler & Greer
Noes. Messrs Louden,Delzell,Pitts & Culley

Mr.Greer offered the following resolution:

Resolved That William Sheets who feels himself aggrieved at the laying down the track of the Indianapolis & Lafayette Railroad Company, be authorized in order to test the right of said to occupy any part of Louisiana Street, be authorized to use the corporate name of this city, in a suit for that purpose: Provided said Sheets shall give security that the city shall not be liable for any costs or damaged."

Laid on the table by the following vote:
Ayes. Messrs Louden,Delzell,Buchanan,Pitts & Culley
Noes. Messrs Fitler & Greer

Mr.Louden offered the following for adoption:

Whereas, the City Council believe there is room on the South half of Louisiana Street between Mississippi and Tennessee Streets for the tracks of both the Lafayette & Terre Haute Railroads in their approach

to the Union tracks & Depot: and Whereas The Council adhere to their former instructions to the Terre Haute Company to adjust their track accordingly. But as it would be greatly detrimental to the Lafayette road to have its connection with the other roads postponed until the proper action of the Terre Haute Company can be had and unjust to require them to be complainants against the Terre Haute Company. And as the Council believes that a proper & amicable arrangements can be made; Therefore

Resolved, That the Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad

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Company be allowed to have their connection with the Union tracks as now located by them until by the action of this Council or the Terre Haute Company a right of way is opened to them on the South half of Louisiana Street."

Mr.Fitler moved to lay it on the table. Lost, by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Louden,Fitler & Greer
Noes: Messrs Delzell,Buchanan,Pitts & Culley

The question being on the adoption or rejection of the preamble and resolution, it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Pitts & Cully 4
Noes: Messrs Buchanan,Fitler & Greer 3

Mr.Fitler offered the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved That in the opinion of this Council,The Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad Company havo no authority from the city to run their Track on the North side of Louisiana Street from Mississippi Street east.

Lost by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Buchanan,Fitler & Greer 3
Noes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Pitts & Culley 4

The Street Commissioners Report for the month of December was read, and the following allowances made

To Hugh Slaven	horse & Cart	12.75
" M.O'Brien	Labor	6.00
" M.Ward	Labor	5.00
" T.Keenan	"	5.62
		$29.37

On Motion, adjourned.

David V.Culley,Prest.
Attest: Daniel B.Culley,Secy,C.C.

Called Meeting.

Monday Jany. 31, 1853

Council met upon the call of the President
Present Messrs Delzell,Buchanan,Fitler,Pitts, & Culley.

On Motion it was
Ordered, That the committee on the public clock be authorized to make a contract with Mr,Jno.Moffatt to build & put up a clock in the cupalo of the Bate's Building, of sufficient size and force to operate on and give full tone to a bell of 2,000 pounds weight, conditioned that the city shall not be required to pay for the clock until the same is examined by men well experienced in clock making, and certified by said examiners that the same is executed in a workmanlike manner. The value of said clock to be determined by the price of clocks of similar quality and size built at other places. The work to be completed and made ready for running by the 1st of August next.

On Motion by Mr.Fitler, it was
Ordered, That the Secretary be authorized to issue license to V.Butch, to cover concerts and other exhibitions at the Washington Hall upon said Butch paying into the Treasury the sum of $25 for such privilege for every month he may wish said license.

Mr.Pitts offered the following:
Whereas The Subject of adopting the General charter for the government of this city has been and is now urged by a large number of our citizens; Wherefore be it

Resolved, That the President of the City Council issue his proclamation for an election to be holden at the usual place of voting in each ward, and a vote of the legal voters be taken to ascertain whether a majority are favorable to the adoption of the General Charter or not."

Mr.Fitler moved to lay it on the table. Carried.

Mr.Culley offered an ordinance amendatory of the Market Ordinance by reviving noon Markets on Monday & Thursdays. Lost by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Delzell,Pitts & Culley 3
Noes: Messrs Buchanan & Fitler 2

On Motion Adjourned

David V.Culley,Prest.

Attest: Daniel B.Culley,
Secy.C.C.

City Council Chamber
February 9, 1853

Council met. Present Messrs. Louden,Delzell,Buchanan,Greer,Pitts & Culley.

Minutes of preceding meetings read and approved.
The Treasurer's January reports read and approved.

The Street Commissioner's read and approved, and the following allowances made to

H.Slaven,	Hauling	$11.12
P.Dolan	Labor	.25
M.Ward	"	.25
P.Quinn	"	.25
Jno.Baker	"	.50
P.Gaughan	"	.50
		12.87

Accounts Allowed:

To E.A.Hall	Painting fence around 1st Ward S.H.Lot	8.00
" Alex Graydon	Sundries	.80
" A.Graydon & Sons	"	2.52
" Elder & Harkness	Printing	31.50
" Philip Pugh	Labor	2.00
" Patrick Gaughan	"	4.50
" H.S.Kellogg	Sundries	14.34
" Kingsbury & Tapescott & Co.,	cistern curbs	53.84
" Walker & Vandegrift,	Lumber	8.09
" W.L. & I.F.Wingate		.25
" Peter Winchell,	wood etc. C.C.	3.50
" Jacob Wagoner,	well making etc.	44.85
" Jacob Huntington	Labor	4.27
" Isaac Coe,	desk etc. 2d W.S.H. S.F.	50.25
" Samuel Wainwright	Stove & Pipe etc. S.H. S.F.	10.00
" Brown & Lockwood	work in School House S.F.	9.45
" Independent Relief Fire Company		21.82
" Western Liberties " "	Fire Fund	5.75
" Marion Fire Company		7.75
" Invincible " "		19.45
" Judgment against S.A.Colley(Marshal heretofore) in favor of S.J.Patterson		31.77

On Motion allowed A.Wilson for repairing Roof East Market House, in part 125.00

The President presented an account in favor of Oliver Rice, for pumps furnished for use of city, at public cisterns, with a report that said Rice agreed to warrant said pumps, and all others furnished by him for one year, and keep the same in repair free of charge, and for each subsequent year to keep the same in repair for fifty cents each.
Allowed O.Rice for Pumps etc. $34.80

The report of the committee, recommending the building of a bridge across the canal on South Street, also one across the canal on North Street was taken from the table.

On Motion by Mr.Greer it was
Ordered, That the committee on Streets and alleys submit at the next meeting of the City Council, plans and estimates the cost of building the proposed bridges over canal on North and South Streets, and also the plan and estimate of cost of bridge on Noble Street across Pogue's Run."

On Motion by Mr.Delzell it was
Ordered, That the Street Commissioner under the direction of the proper member of the Ward, have the pumps and wells repaired at the several Ward School Houses.

On Motion by Mr.Greer, it was
Resolved, That Mr. Wilson be allowed to cut a ditch on the North side of Georgia Street west to the canal opposite said Wilson lot.
Ordered, That the City Engineer set the stakes for the same.

Mr. Delzell presented a petition from the property holders on east side of New Jersey Street, between Market and Ohio Streets, praying the City Council to order the making of a sidewalk along said East side of New Jersey Street. Signed by

Kleisman & Topkins	Lot 5 Sq	40 ft.	
Geo. Long	" 8 & 9	80 "	
Chas. Helwig & Stumph	" 7	40 "	
Chas. Helwig	" 6	40 "	
J.Stumph	" 3	35 "	
Wm. Kusche	" 4	40 "	275

The prayer of the petitioners was granted.

Ordered that the City Engineer set the grade stakes for the same.

Mr.Pitts presented a petition numerously signed,praying the City Council to cause all obstructions to be removed from the alley lying between Ephraim Croas's property and Robert Johnson's in Block No.1 Harris addition.

On Motion it was
Ordered, That the Street Commissioners cause obstructions to be removed from the alley mentioned above.

On Motion of Mr.Buchanan it was
Resolved That in the opinion of the City Council no Railroad Company hereafter ought to be allowed to use any Street or alley in the

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city for Railroad purposes only so far as to cross the same, and then only by complying strictly with the ordinance on the subject.

On Motion by Mr.Buchanan it was

Ordered, That the City Marshal be required to notify the agent of the Lawrenceburg & Indianapolis Railroad Company to open Louisiana Street east of East Street as required by ordinance so that the citizens can pass along said street without danger to life and limb.

Mr.Culley offered the following ordinance:

An Ordinance supplemental to an ordinance to regulate Public Markets and the duties of the clerks of the same" chapter Vl.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis; That from the first day of October to the first day of May following in each week, shall be and they are hereby declared to be, Market days.

Sec. 2. Within the times aforesaid, the Monday Market shall be held at the West Market House, and the Thursday Market at the East Market House; and at each, on the days aforesaid the Market shall be opened by the Market Master by ringing the bell at fifteen minutes before noon, and at 2 o'clock P.M.

Sec.3. It is hereby made the duty of the Market Master to report to the Mayor without delay , all infractions of this and the original ordinance, particularly the 15th Section.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes:	Messrs Greer, Delzell, Pitts & Culley	4
Noes:	" Buchanan & Louden	2

On Motion The Council Adjourned. David V.Culley,Prest.

Attest: Daniel B.Culley,Secretary C.C.

City Council Chamber
February 14th 1853

Called Meeting

Council met. Present Messrs. Louden,Delzell,Fitler,Greer,Pitts and Culley.

The object of the meeting was stated to be to consider the Common School System.

The following ordinance was presented:
An Ordinance defining the duties of Trustees of Common Schools.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Indianapolis, That the Trustees of Common Schools of the City of Indianapolis , are hereby authorized and enpowered to cause an enumuration of all the children in said City to be made according to law; to employ all teachers of Common Schools, and to dismiss the same as the statute in such case provides; to visit such schools either as a Board or by one of their members, at least twice in each quarter; to appoint the day of examinations; to make report to the City Council of the condition of the schools respectively at the end of each quarter; which report shall contain an exhibition not only of the studies pursued and the mental progress made, but also of the moral deportment of each pupil, to examine the School House and report the state thereof, together with what repairs and improvements are necessary to be made thereto; to suspend or dismiss any scholar from school in such manner as the Statutes provides, and to certify to the City Council the terms on which each teacher has been employed; and the cause or causes of the dismission of any teacher, and to give their opinion, if required, as to the propriety of establishing graded schools; and to do and perform all such duties as by law are now or hereafter be required, of Trustees of Common Schools.

Adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Messrs Louden,Buchanan,Fitler, Pitts Greer & Culley 6, Noes - None.

The report of the Trustees of Common Schools was read as follows:

To the City Council of Indianapolis:
The undersigned Trustees of Common Schools appointed at your meeting in January 1853 in pursuance of the 32d Section of the Act to provide a general and uniform System of Common Schools, approved the 14th of June 1853, did on the 17th day of the first named month proceed to discharge the duties of said appointment. They visited the 5th Ward School kept by Miss Davenport who was within four weeks of completing her Second quarter. There were attending thirty five scholars of both sexes. They learn that this is the Sixth term a school has been taught in the 5th Ward School House, the school lot is enclosed with a board fence, there are no gates, the

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pump is out of order, the roof of the house leaks, and many defects now appear in the original workmanship of the house; The school is not in as prosperous condition as the Trustees think it should be. Either the pupils have been mismanaged heretofore, or a want of present efficient government. These defects should be remedied at the commencement of another quarter, and the house and lot put in repair.

The Trustee on the same day (17th of Jany) visited the School House in the 4th Ward, kept by Mr.Harold. It commenced about four weeks previous to visiting the same, and the first time the house has been occupied. The building consisting of two rooms, is an improvement on the 4 houses built in the 1st, 2d, 5th & 7th Wards in year 1851 - the last four mention contains only one school room each. There are about fifty-five pupils in attendance mostly males of good size. The teacher, who appeared to have sufficient scholastic attainment, seemed deficient in government, and steps were taken to dissolve the connection, & Mr.Webb was put in her place , by this step it now appears that good order has been attained, and the school appears now to be well governed. But the Trustees regret, though the house has been occupied for so short a time, it has been much abused. But it is due to the School to State that repairs have been made by several of the young men who attend, although they were in no wise culpable for the damage that has been done. The house and lot are not enclosed, the roof leaks, but the trustees were informed the same would be repaired under the contract for building the same.

The Trustees on the same day (17th Jany) visited the 2d Ward School taught by Mr.Loomis, assisted by Miss Gibbs. This is the first term in this Ward School House, has about fifty scholars, yard not yet fenced, the house leaks. The school appears to be well governed.

On the same day visited the 1st Ward School House, kept by Mr. Bullard with Miss Tayler assistant. There were about eighty scholars in attendance. The order good and so far as the Trustees could judge, the method of teaching very satisfactory. The house a little defaced, said to have originated in part by permitting public meetings to be held in the same, the roof leaks. This house was originally intended for but one room for teaching & three small entrance rooms, these last have been converted into two, and one used as a recitation room though very inconvenient. There are no gates. The well is out of repair.

On the 18th of January the Trustees visited the 7th Ward School kept by Mrs.Lister assisted by Miss Hobert. There were in attendance about one hundred and eight pupils, like the 1st Ward the three small entrance rooms have been connected into two, and one made

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a recitation apartment, and like the other in the 1st Ward illy calculated for the use it is put to. The school seems to be in a prosperous condition. Mrs.Lister is now in her 6th term, having commenced in May 1851 & with the exception of a part of a term has been the principal. Her success fairly demonstrates the necessity of having permanent teachers of high attainments if they can be procured. The yard was fenced and the gates hund and col house built by the former trustees. But the building like the others leaks and needs tin gutters on the south east side.

On the same day the Trustees visited the sixth Ward School kept by Miss Kinder. The building is new, with two good rooms, but only one occupied. There were thirty four scholars, mostly beginners. They seem to be governed with great kindness and for new recruits seem to being well. The house leaks, the pump out of order, lot not fenced or graded. And from its exposed position should be immediately looked to lest accidents occur to the pupils.

Two of the Trustees were present at the late examination of Miss Higgins' school in the 3d Ward, and two have visited the same since the commencement of the present quarter. They find the school in point of order equal to any and so far as the Trustees were able to judge they think her skill in imparting knowledge very good. She has sixty pupils and is now assisted by Miss Randel . The three small entrance rooms have been arranged like thelst & 7th Wards. The roof leaks, there are no gates, and similar repairs to those above enumerated should be made for the safety of the building and convenience of the scholars.

The former Board of Trustees divided the year into four quarters of eleven weeks each. The tuition fees in the 4th, 6th & 7th Wards are two dollars and twenty five cents for each scholar without regard to age or sex; this is as low, if not lower, than competent teachers can well afford to render the service with suitable assistants. The 1st & 2d Ward have charged only $2 per quarter having on hand a portion of the public money unexpended, which fell to them under the old district system much to the credit of those who had the care of that fund. And the 5th Ward have charged $2½ & found the fuel.

H.P.Coburn
Calvin Fletcher

Mr.Culley offered the following:

Resolved,That in the opinion of this City Council steps should be taken to secure a lot of ground of suitable size on which to establish a graded school.

Resolved, That the Trustees of Common Schools be and they are hereby authorized to procure a portion of the Seminary block, or some other lot for the purpose aforesaid.

Mr.Greer moved to lay them on the table, But before the question was acted upon, the Council dissolved upon hearing the cry "Fire" .

Attest: David V.Culley,Prest.
Daniel B.Culley,Secy.C.C.

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Regular Meeting
City Council Chamber
March 7th 1853

Present - Messrs Louden,Delzell,Greer,Buchanan,Pitts,Fitler & Culley.

The minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

The Street Commissioners report,read and approved and the following allowances made:

To M.Ward Labor on Streets	6 days	6.00
" Patrick Quinn Labor on Streets	2 "	2.00
" Peter Volen " " "	6 "	6.00
" Thomas Keenan " " "	1-5/8 "	1.62
" H.Stevens Horses & Carts 3½ days $2½ per day		8.75
" W.Sonefield Hauling		2.00
" Mr.Huntington do		1.50
" Mr.Facres		2.00
Street Commissioners Report		29.87
Allowed David Fletcher Well digging,repairing etc.		3.00
" Williamson & Haugh,repairing pump,Youngerman Comm.		3.35
" Joseph Shaw Labor on Streets		1.50
" William Wilkinson,Incidental Expense Grave Yard		.50
" J.S.Norris Candles,C.C.Expense		1.70
" William Sonefield Labor on Streets		1.00
" John Ferriter		1.00
General Fund orders		41.92
Allowed E.Catlin Repairing well in 4th Ward		4.00
" Pearsons & Cottrell Tin gutter 7 Ward S.H.		2.20
" R.L.McOuat canal coal stoves, for 5 Ward		20.75

The Council on Motion gave further time for the Committee on Streets and alleys.

On Motion by Mr.Greer.
The subject of building a lodge on Georgia Street, over the canal was referred to the Committee on streets and alleys.

The President from a committee appointed to make a contract for fencing the public Grave yard, reported that Messrs Dake & Bingman had completed the fence enclosing the public Grave yard, including the burial ground of the colored people that the same has been measured and calculated agreeably to the contract made with the said Duke & Bingman

and amounted to $301.29. That said Duke and Bingman took the surplus lumber at $2.95 and had orders issued to them for the balance amounting to $298.34 in full of the contract.

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Mr.Louden presented the following petition:

To the City Council of Indianapolis:-

The undersigned having built the fence around the public grave yard, petition your honorable body for an increase of pay over and above the estimate as made by the President to the amount of four cents on the foot, as there were 1698 feet of new fencing it would amount to $67.92. The original fence being 16¢ only. And owing to the rise in the price of lumber, nails, labor, etc., we were unable to make wages, and this is only asking to give to the "laborer his hire". Twenty cents was the amount bid by us per foot but was willing if it could be done to do the work for less, but failed for the reasons stated.
Indianapolis, March 7th, 1853 Duke & Bingman."

On Motion by Mr.Greer
Allowed Duke & Bingman, 18¢ a foot for new fence amount to the additional sum of $33.96

On Motion by Mr.Fitler, it was

Ordered That the Commissioner of Streets notify the property holders on the East side of Pennsylvania Street between Michigan and Washington Streets to grade and gravel and pave their sidewalks within ten days; and that the City Engineer set the stakes therefor immediately. And if not graded and graveled or paved at the expiration of said ten days, to advertise for bids for said improvement to be graveled.

On Motion by Mr.Greer, it was

"Ordered, That the City Engineer give grade stakes for sidewalks in front of lots Nos. 1 & 2, in Square No.13.

On Motion by Mr.Fitler, it was

Ordered That the City Engineer give grade stakes for sidewalks on North and East side of lots Nos. 15 & 16 in Square No.29."

On Motion

Ordered, That the Marshal cause to be sold at auction the wood stoves heretofore used in 5th Ward School house.

The following petition was presented:

To the City Council of Indianapolis:

The undersigned citizens of the city are desirous of having the sidewalk on the East side of Pennsylvania street between Maryland Street and Pogues Run. There is plenty of earth to be obtained at a low price at this time we hope your honorable body will make an order to have it done immediately. We own three quarters and upwards of the ground here represented. Signed:- R.R.Underhill 150 ft front,Marion Coal Co. 50 ft front Kelshaw & Sinker 100 ft front, Wm.Sullivan 195 ft front, A.L.Voorhees 50 feet

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On Motion by Mr.Fitler it was

Ordered, That the City Engineer give grade stakes immediately along said East side of Pennsylvania street between Maryland street and Pogue's Run for sidewalk; and the Street Commissioner notify property owners to make said improvement within thirty days.

The Marshal informed the Council of the discontinuance of Peter Winchel as Deputy and announced the appointment of O.H.P.Bly in his stead.

On Motion the appointment was confirmed.

On Motion by Mr.Fitler it was

Ordered,That the Marshal notify the President of the Central Plank Road Company not to rebuild a bridge at the crossing of Pogue's Run on Washington as there is an order directing the Run to be straightened at Washington street.

A communication was received from George H.Dunn, President of the Lawrenceburg & Upper Mississippi Railroad Company relative to the action of the Board in regard to opening Louisiana Street, read & laid on the table.

Mr.Greer offered for adoption the following:

"Resolved, That the Act entitled"An Act for Incorporation of Cities" approved Jany 18, 1852, be and the same is hereby adopted for the government of this City."

Adopted by the following vote

Ayes.	Messrs Greer,Buchanan,Fitle & Culley	4
Noes.	" Pitts,Louden & Delzell	3

On Motion by Mr Greer,

Allowed Peter Winchell, Deputy Marshal the sum of $25 being one month's salary of the Marshal unclaimed by him.

On Motion by Mr.Fitler it was

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to set off enough land on the front of lot No.4 Square No.37 for an Engine house, and to contract with John H.Bradley for the sale of the remainder of the city lot there if it should be thought expedient."

Messrs Delzell,Pitts & Greer was appointed said committee.

On Motion it was

Ordered That the Street Commissioner be requested to construct a temporary culvert under the Union track on

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the West side of New Jersey Street, and make a small embankment under direction of the Street Commissioner of the 7th Ward so that the water may not stand in the creek bottom.."

D.H.Boyd's petition praying the Council to refund to him $2.22 being the amount of taxes assessed on $500 taxable property said to be erroneously returned. Was read but before action

The Council adjourned to meet on Monday evening next.

Attest: David V.Culley,Prest.City Council
Daniel B.Culley,
Secy.C.C.

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First Meeting of the Common Council under the Act for the Incorporation of Cities. Approved June 18th 1852

Common Council Chamber
March 14th 1853

Present: The Mayor, Messrs Louden, Delzell,Greer,Fitler,Culley & Pitts Councilmen.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys reported a plan for a bridge and recommended that it be adopted by the City for the building of all bridges.

The following report was read from the City Attorney,
To the City Council of Indianapolis,

In compliance with a resolution of your honorable body requiring me to examine and report whether in my judgment Washington street in Indianapolis was conveyed by the State to the Central Plank Road Company in the grant to said Company of the National Road, I beg leave to report as follows:

The title to the State to Washington Street was derived from the United States by a grant different from and prior to the grant to the State of Indiana of the National Road and even prior to its location .

By an act of Congress entitled an act to enable the people of Indian Territory to form a Constitution and State Government and for the admission of said State into the Union on an equal footing with the original States" approved Apl. 19,1816 it is enacted, among other things as follows:"That four sections of land be and the same are hereby granted to said State for the purpose of fixing their seat of government thereon which four sections shall under the direction of the Legislature of said State be located at any in such township and range as the Legislature aforesaid may select on such land as may hereafter by acquired by the United States etc.(R.S.1838,p.34).

On the 11th day of January 1820 the Legislature of the State of Indiana appointed commissioners to select and locate a site for the permanent

seat of government (Acts 1819-20 p.18).

The location was made upon what was popularly called the "Donation Land" of Indianapolis, during the recess of the Legislature at the next session. On the 6th day of January 1821, the location was adopted by the Legislature and commissioners were appointed to lay off the town for a permanent seat of government (Act 1820-21, p.44). Thoase commissioners were authorized among other things to lay out streets and alleys and to devote them to the public use. The proceedings of the Commissioners were approved of and adopted by the Legislature Nov.28,1821. (Act 1821-22 P.18). Thoae acts are collected and printed together among the Acts of 1830-31, pp.63 to 81 inclusive.

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By the above it appears that Washington street was granted to the State and devoted to the public use as a public highway by the several Acts of Congress and of the State Legislature above cited.

The title to the National Road was derived as follows; Congress by an Act approved March 2d. 1829 for the continuation of the Cumberland Road authorized the road to be opened through the State of Indiana commencing at Indianapolis and extending to the eastern and western boundaries of the State. An appropriation was made by the same act and the President was authorized to have the road opened through the State (U.S.Statutes at large pp.349 & 350). Afterwards the U.S. granted the National Road to the State of Indiana. On the 8th day of January 1850 the State granted the possession and use of the National Road together with the bridges, timber, etc. to the Central Plank Road Company.

It thus appears that Washington Street became a public highway long before the National Road was located in the State. Its direction is different from the general direction and course of the National Road and there is nothing in the Act of Congress of March 2, 1829 indicating that it was the intention of Congress to take Washington Street from the control of the corporate authorities of Indianapolis and appropriate it as part of the National Road.

I am therefore of the opinion that the grant by the Legislature of this State of the National Road within this State to the Central Plank Road Company did not convey Washington Street to said Company but that the same is under the exclusive control of the corporate authorities of this city in the same manner and to the same extent as any other street. Albert G.Porter, City Attorney

On Motion by Mr.Louden
Laid on the table.

Mr.Louden moved that a committee be appointed to confer with a similar committee of the Plank Road Company relative to the bridge on Washington Street. Carried.

Messrs Delzell, Louden & Buchanam.

The Treasurer's report for last month read and approved.

The select committee appointed on the subject made the following report:

The committee to which was referred the subject of dividing the School lot No.11 in Square No.37 for engine purposes and directing the sale of the balance of said lot if thought expedient , report that they are of opinion that it is inexpedient to subdivide or sell said lot or a portion thereof at present believeing that the same will be needed for engine purposes, and desire to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject aforesaid.

Samuel Delzell
George W.Pitts Com.
John Greer

The report was concurred in & the committee discharged.

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Mr.Greer offered the following:

Resolved: That the Committee on Streets, alleys, etc. be authorized to contract for the erection of bridges across the canal as follows: one at North St., one at Indiana Avenue ; one at Georgia Street; one at South Street ; the above bridges each to be 28 feet wide."

Adopted by the following votes:

Ayes: Louden,Delzell,Fitler,Pitts,Greer & Culley. Noes None.

Mr.Culley offered the following:

"Resolved: That the committee on Streets,alleys, etc. be directed to report an ordinance extending the width of all sidewalks to fifteen feet within the limits of the following Streets: viz: East, West, North & South Streets."

Mr.Louden moved that the resolution be laid upon the table; which Motion did not prevail.

The question recurring upon the adoption or rejection of the Resolution it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Greer,Pitts,Culley & Fitler
Noes: " Louden & Delzell.

Mr.Pitts offered for adoption the following:

"Resolved,That the committee on Streets, alleys, etc. be and they are hereby authorized to contract for the erection of foot bridges at the following locations, viz: one at the crossing of canal on North side of

Washington Street, and one at crossing of canal on Maryland Street; said bridges to be at least eight feet wide."

Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Culley,Fitler,Greer & Pitts.Noes,None.

Mr.Louden offered for adoption the following:
"Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to purchase 5000 feet 2½ inch oak plank for the use of the city ; also purchase 25 pieces for foot bridges of 6x6 in.oak."

Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Culley,Fitler,Greer & Pitts,6. Noes, None.

Mr.Louden offered for adoption the following:
"Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to have two foot bridges made on either side Washington Street midway between Tennessee and Illinois Streets.
Adopted by the following vote.
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Culley,Fitler,Greer,& Pitts:6,Noes none.

Mr.Delzell offered the following for adoption:
Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to build two bridges at the crossing of New Jersey and Ohio Streets.
Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Culley,Fitler,Greer & Pitts,6: Noes none.

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Mr.Fitler offered the following for adoption:
"Resolved, That the Marshal notify J.S.Dunlop not to build the privies that is contemplated to be built by him in the vaults that he is now digging on Meridian Street in front of lot No. ".
On Motion laid on the Table till next meeting.

Mr.Fitler offered the following for adoption:
"Resolved, That the committee on Streets, alleys, etc. be authorized to receive sealed proposals for building a stone culvert of double arch, at the crossing of Pogues Run on Meridian Street, 60 feet wide."

Mr.Louden moved the resolution be amended by the addition "and report to the Common Council the proposal so received."
Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Culley,Delzell & Pitts 4
Noes: " Fitler & Greer 2

The question recurring upon the adoption of the resolution as amended it was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes,Louden,Culley,Delzell,Pitts,Fitler & Greer.

Mr.Culley offered the following:

"Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to draft By Laws for the government of the common Council as required by the "Act of Incorporation."

Adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Culley,Fitler & Greer 5
Noes: Mr.Pitts 1

The Mayor appointed Messrs Culley,Greer & Louden said committee.

Allowed John Pleasant for what was said to be an illegal assessment $2.00

On Motion the Council adjourned.

Caleb Scudder, Mayor.

Attest

Daniel B.Culley,City Clerk.

Common Council Chamber
March 21st 1853

Common Council met, Present Caleb Scudder, Mayor, Messrs Delzell, Culley, Buchanan, Fitler & Pitts.

The Minutes of the preceeding meeting read and approved.

The following petition was read:
"To the Common Council of Indianapolis,
I wish to grade my sidewalk around Block No. 4, in this city, please to order the grade stakes to be set and oblige,
Respectfully, R. R. Underhill.

On Motion it was
Ordered, That the City Engineer be directed to give grade stakes for sidewalk around Block or Square No. 4, immediately.

The following message was received from the Trustees of Common Schools of the city:
To the Common Council of Indianapolis:
We respectfully ask the Common Council to require an additional bond of $15,000 of the City Treasurer to ensure the safe keeping & proper disbursements of the School revenue derived from the State by distribution,
Also that you order the building of fencing about the School lots of the city, and have the roofing of the houses repaired & have the necessary outhouses for coal, etc. built."

On motion referred to a committee of three consisting of Messrs. Culley, Pitts & Fitler.

Allowed	S. W. Norris, rent of Relief Fire Co. houses Qr.		20.00
"	W. S. Hubbard " " " " " "		20.00
"	A. W. McQuat acct " " " " "	45.00	5.00
"	Hassellman Viaton & Co. acct Invincible "		36.00
"	T. Buchanan " " "		4.00
"	Jeffery Seymour " " "		16.50
"	Charles Richmond " " "		3.00
"	D. Yandes Co. " " "	60.	1.60

Mr. Culley offered the following resolution:
"Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to contract for printing 500 copies of the general law incorporating towns and cities, 4.50 for public distribution & fifty copies to be retained and bound with the ordinances on revision."

Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs. Delzell, Culley, Buchanan, Fitler & Pitts, 5. Noes 0.

Mr. Fitler offered for adoption the following resolution:
Resolved, That the City Engineer set grade stakes on front of Lot 11 Square 64 on Washington Street. Adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Delzell,Culley,Buchanan,Fitler & Pitts 5. Noes 0.

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Mr.Pitts offered for adoption the following:

Whereas, The committee to whom was referred the subject of the location of the town clock are of the opinion that Harvey Bates did verbally agree to erect without cost to the city, a cupalo upon the Bate's House, now in proccess of erection, for the reception of said clock and bell; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council will not order an appropriation for the purpose of erecting said cupalo or any part thereof."

Adopted by the following votes

Ayes: Messrs Delzell,Culley,Buchanan,Fitler,& Pitts 5. Noes 0

Mr.Delzell offered for adoption the following:

"Resolved, That fifty dollars be appropriated in addition to the former allowance of three hundred dollars, for the purchase of a hose carriage for the Invincible Fire Company No.2."

Not adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Delzell,Culley & Fitler 3
Noes: Messrs Buchanan & Pitts 2

On Motion by Mr.Buchanan it was

Ordered That the Committee on Streets, alleys etc. be authorized to contract with Mr.L.Comegys for the widening of the bridge to 28 feet heretofore let to said Comegys to be built over Pogues' Run on Alabama Street".

On Motion by Mr.Fitler the petition of D.H.Boyd praying that the Council remit to him $2.20 being the amount of taxes assessed upon $500 taxable property said to be erroneously assessed" was referred to Committee on claims.

On Motion by Mr.Buchanan it was

Ordered, That the bridge on Kentucky Avenue be so altered as to give greater width of bridge for the passage of wagons etc.

On Motion Adjourned to meet Monday evening next.

Caleb Scudder, Mayor

Attest;

Daniel B.Culley,City Clerk.

Common Council Chamber
Indianapolis March 28th. 1853

Council met. Present Caleb Scudder, Mayor, & Louden,Delzell,Culley,Buchanan,Fitler,Greer & Pitts, Councilmen.

The following petition was read:

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:
Gentlemen: The undersigned would respectfully request of the City Council permission to remove from the sidewalks surrounding the premises of the State Institute for the Blind and place upon the said premises so much of the top soil as he may choose upon condition that he will substitute for the same an equal quantity of other dirt from the premises aforesaid; also that you will at the earliest practicable date direct him where to place the dirt to be substituted as above, together with all other dirt to be removed in grading said sidewalk.
Indianapolis,March 28th 1853 Wm.H.Churchman
Supt. I.I. for the B."

Mr.Louden offered for adoption the following resolution:
Resolved That Mr.Churchman be permitted to remove the soil from the sidewalks according to the prayer of his petition provided he deposit the same amt of dirt upon the street or crossings of streets under the direction of the Councilman of the 2d Ward."
Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Louden,Delzell,Culley,Buchanan & Pitts 5
Noes: Messrs Fitler & Greer 2

Mr.Greer offered the following resolution:
"Resolved That the Marshal notify the property holders on Merrill and McCarty Streets to open the same immediately and if they fail he proceed to open the same within thirty days."

On Motion referred to a committee of three, with instructions to report at next meeting whether it be expedient or not.

Mr.Buchanan,Greer, & Fitler were appointed as said committee.

Mr.Pitts offered the following resolution:
Whereas, This Council heretofore ordered the alley between Mr.E. Croas & H.Johnson to be opened, and the Street Commissioner having notified Mr.Croase to the fact and he Mr.C refusing to open the same, Therefore be it
Ordered, That the City Marshal and the Commissioner of Streets be directed to cause the same to be opened immediately.
Adopted by the following vote
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Buchanan,Fitler,Greer,Pitts & Culley 7
Noes. 0.

Mr.Greer presented a petition signed by ten persons requesting the City Council to extend the limits of the city over the donation lands lying west of White River, known as West Indianapolis.

On Motion by Mr.Louden
Laid on the table for the present.

Mr.Delzell offered for adoption the following resolution;
"Resolved, That the committee on the Fire Department be authorized to expend fifty dollars in addition to the former appropriation for building hose carriage for the use of the Invincible Fire Company No.2."
Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Buchanan,Fitler,Greer & Culley 6
Noes:- Mr.Pitts 1

Daniel Keely's acct for 35 yards of dirt placed on Kentucky Avenue in 1850 at 10 cts. per yard amt to $3.50
was on motion referred to a select committee consisting of Delzell, Fitler & Greer.

Allowed	David Richhart, hauling gravel in 4th ward	7.00
"	James Donavan Posting bills	2.85
"	L.Comegys for alteration in bridge on Kentuckey ave.	6.05

Mr.Fitler moved that the resolution heretofore offered by him be taken from the table, the resolution reads as follows:
"Resolved, That the Marshal notify I.S.Dunlop not to build the privies that is contemplated to be built by him in the vaults that he is now digging on Meridian Street in front of lot No. ."

The resolution was taken from the table.

Mr.Pitts moved that it be indefinitely postponed.
Which Motion failed by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Culley & Pitts 3
Noes: Messrs Delzell,Buchanan,Fitler & Greer 4

The question recurring upon the adoption or rejection of the resolution it was adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Buchanan,Delzell,Fitler & Greer 4
Noes: Messrs Louden,Culley & Pitts 3

Mr.Pitts offered the following resolution:
Resolved,That $200 be appropriated in addition to the Sum heretofore appropriated for the purchase of a hose carriage for the use of the Western Liberties Fire Company: Provided: that the sum asked in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated

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be found necessary to procure a hose carriage suitable & proper for said Company.

Adopted by following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Delzell,Culley,Buchanan,Greer & Pitts 5
Noes: Messrs Louden & Fitler 2

The following petition was presented:(See page 3.Book of Petitions)
To the Common Council of Indianapolis

The undersigned owning the major number of feet along Meridian Street between Circle Street and the donation line running north petition your honorable body to order said Meridian Streets, between the limits named, graded and graveled, and the sidewalks graded and graveled on either side of Meridian Street.

Signed by John Dunlop & about 40 others amounting to 5121 feet.

On Motion the prayer of the petitioner was granted, and it was

"Ordered, That the City Engineer give the grade stakes for sidewalks, gutters & street, for said improvement, and furnish the City Clerk with the estimate of the cost of the work."

Mr.Fitler from a committee on that subject reported an ordinance entitled "an ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled an ordinance fixing the width of Sidewalks."

On Motion by Mr.Culley the ordinance was referred to a Select Committee with instructions to "provide for sidewalks on streets less than 90 feet wide, and to allow the extension of sidewalks where the same have already been paved under a former ordinance."

Messrs Culley,Fitler & Greer were appointed said committee.

Mr.S.Comegys petitioned the Council to advance him $129.24 upon his contract for the building of a bridge across Pogues Run on Alabama.

Referred to Committee on Streets, alleys, bridges etc.to report at next meeting.

On Motion
The filling of the property lying on either side of Washington street near the canal heretofore ordered to be filled up to remove stagnant water was directed to be let to the lowest responsible bidder.

Caleb Scudder Mayor

On Motion the Council adjourned.

Attest: Daniel B.Culley
City Clerk

Common Council Chamber
Indianapolis, April 4th, 1853

Council met. Present Caleb Scudder, Mayor, & Messrs Buchanan, Culley, Greer, & Pitts Councilmen.

The Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

The Treasurer's monthly report read and accepted.

The Street Commissioner's report for month was read as follows:

Expended in 1st Ward $2.20; 2d Ward $1.65; 3d Ward $20.15; 4th Ward $110; 5th Ward $22.55; 6th Ward $1.65; 7th Ward $21.17; $70.47

Allowed	Michael Rinney	Labor	8.35
"	Patrick Griffin	"	8.80
"	James Conley	"	2.75
"	Peter Dolen	"	.55
"	Michael Riley	"	1.65
"	Michael Ward	"	.55
"	Michael O'Brien	"	7.70
"	Hugh Slaven	"	30.24
"	Thos. Drauen	"	6.40
"	Patrick Quinn	"	3.30
			70.47

Allowed	Elgin Petty	Labor with team	2.00
"	Lucinda Ward	do	2.00
"	P.Michael heir	500 brick for public wells	2.50
"	City Gas Company	do	2.00
"	McCord & Wheatley	making 3 pumps boxes	7.50

The following communication was received from the Fire Association:

"At a regular meeting of the Indianapolis Fire Association held on Wednesday the 2nd day of March 1853 it was

"Resolved That the Common Council be recommended to appropriate to the Hook & Ladder Company the sum of one hundred dollars for the purpose of purchasing new apparatus. B.R.Sulgrove, Prest.

Attest: A.Graydon, Secy."

On Motion

Allowed	The Hook & Ladder Co. for apparatus etc.	$100.00
"	Austin H.Brown Bill of printing to date	61.90

Mr.Greer from a Select Committee on that subject made the following report:

"Your committee to whom was referred the subject

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of ordering Merrill & McCarty Street opened, have attended to that duty, and have ascertained that they are regularly laid out upon the original profile or plat of the city, and have never been vacated, they, therefore offer for adoption the following resolutions.

Resolved, That the Marshal be directed to notify the owners of the property lying or bordering upon McCarty Street to open the said street immediately; also,

Resolved, That the Marshal be directed to notify the owners of property lying or bordering upon Merrill Street to open the said Street immediately."

Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Greer,Buchanan,Culley & Fitler 4; Noes 0

Mr.Culley from a select committee on that subject reported the following ordinance:

"An Ordinance amendatory of the ordinance establishing the width of sidewalks, and for other purposes."

Section 1. Be it ordained and established by the Mayor and Common Council of Indianapolis, That on all streets ninety feet wide in said city the sidewalk shall be fifteen feet in width measuring from the inner edge of the pavement to the curb; on Streets sixty feet wide the sidewalks shall be twelve feet in width; & on streets less than sixty feet in width the sidewalks shall be ten feet wide as aforesaid.

Sec.2.This ordinance shall not effect the width of sidewalks on Washington Street, nor alter the inclination of sidewalks as fixed by ordinance, nor shall it disturb the location of shade trees already planted & growing.

Sec.3. Sidewalks already paved and in good repair shall be extended to conform to the width hereby established when the same are repaved; and shade trees hereafter planted shall be placed at the outer edge of the curb.

Sec.4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances contravening the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Greer,Culley,Pitts,Buchanan 4, Noes 0

On Motion by Mr.Buchanan it was

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be directed to notify the property holders on the West side of East Street between Washington & Louisiana street to complete their sidewalks heretofore ordered & that he proceed immediately to the grading & graveling of sidewalk in front of the School house in 7th Ward.

Mr. Greer offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That the Hook & Ladder Company be authorized to construct a house suitable for the new wagons and present their their bill to this Council for the same."

On Motion
Referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. Greer, Culley & Buchanan.

Wm. Sheets appeared and orally petitioned the Council to affix a license tax upon the Masonic Hall to cover all exhibitions to be holden in said Hall for the space of one year.

On Motion referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs.Culley, Pitts & Louden.

On Motion adjourned to meet again on Wednesday the 13th inst.

Caleb Scudder, Mayor
Daniel B. Culley,
City Clerk

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Common Council Chamber
Wednesday April 13th '53.

Council met. Present Caleb Scudder, Mayor, Messrs. Pitts, Greer, Fitler, Buchanan, Delzell & Louden & Culley, Councilmen.

Allowed	David Richart	hauling gravel 3d Ward	$ 5.50
"	Daniel Keely	laying pavement E. M. House	4.50
"	A. F. Shortridge, amt.	paid as County & State tax for City	25.25

Mr. Delzell, Chairman of a Select Committee on that subject reported as follows:

The Committee to whom the account of Daniel Keely for gravel placed on Kentucky Avenue would report that the account is correct and recommend that the bill be allowed.
S. Delzell
J. B. Fitler
John Greer

Allowed Daniel Keely as above recommended 3.50

Mr. Delzell presented the following petition:

To the Honorable the Common Council of Indianapolis,

Your petitioners owners of property fronting on New York Street between Alabama Street & New Jersey Street respectfully request you to cause said street to be properly graded in such manner as to prevent pools of stagnant water from accumulating as at present & they will ever pray, etc.

John Hamilton	195 ft.
Eliza Richmond	65 "
Thos. E. Holbrooks	195 "

On Motion the prayer of the petition was granted and it was
Ordered, That the City Engineer set grade stakes for said streets within the limits named & furnish the City Clerk with an estimate therefor.

Mr. Greer presented the following petition:
To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:
The undersigned owners of property on the South side of Washington street between Tennessee Street and the canal petition your honorable body to cause the South Side of Washington street, and sidewalks between the above named limits graded & graveled with river gravel or screened pit gravel.

W. Newland, Treasurer of State	Lot 1 Sq. 68	67½ feet	
Isaac Blackford		135 "	
Jas. N. Russell	Lot 4 Sq. 69	67½ "	
McCarty & Fletcher		22½ "	
L & U. M. R. R. Co.	Lot No. 1 Sq. 69, Lot 6 Sq. 69	135 "	
J. Nicolai	Lot No. 2 Sq. 68	67½ "	490

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On Motion the prayer of the petition was granted, and it was
Ordered, That the City Engineer set the grade stakes, and furnish the City Clerk with the estimated expense of such improvement.

Mr. Delzell offered the following for adoption:

Whereas, It has been represented to the body that Wm. F. Wells has sustained damages and incurred expense by reason of the gravel excavation on the corner of New Jersey and New York Street being compelled to remove his shop in consequence thereof, Therefore,

Resolved that the claim be referred to three disinterested persons, one to be chosen by each party, and these to select a third who shall examine and report on the justice of the amt of said claim for damages and expense at the next meeting.

Mr. Pitts moved to lay it on the table. Carried.

Mr. Culley offered the following for adoption:

Resolved That the City Engineer examine the condition of the grade of New Jersey Street at the crossing of New York Street & report at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Buchanan,Fitler,Greer and Pitts.

Allowed Hugh Slaven for filling 88 cubic yds of earth in sidewalk in front of lot No.8 Square 52. at 22¢ per yd. $19.36

Mr.Delzell offered the following for adoption:

Resolved That the City Treasurer be directed to report at the next regular meeting the amt of Road Tax collected from each Ward in this city.

Mr.Greer moved to lay it on the table. Carried.

The following petition was received from the City Treasurer:

To the Common Council. The petitioner would respectfully ask your honorable body to release him from a deficiency which accrued in his annual report of last Spring and which was subsequently reported to your honorable body by the Chairman of the Committee appointed for the purpose of making a settlement with the petitioner. The Committee say in their report it is not known whether the deficiency accrued from not returning delinquencies or losses by the late fire. Since that time your petitioner has become satisfied (after a careful examination of his books and accounts) that the loss was in consequence of said fire. Two or three days preceeding the fire the petitioner collected between Six and Seven

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hundred dollars. The cash part of the same was regularly deposited in Bank, and the orders & Street Script were carefully laid away in his desk except some small orders which were kept out for the purpose of making change. The day preceeding the fire all that was collected was destroyed amounting to between Sixty & Seventy dollars.

The above are the facts in the case.

Respectfully submitted by your petitioner, A.F.Shortridge,City Tr.

On Motion:

Allowed	A.F.Shortridge	from the	General Fund	the sum of	$ 66.18
"	"	" "	School "	" " "	56.69
"	"	" "	Fire Tax "	" " "	28.27
"	"	" "	Town Clock "	" " "	13.97
					$165.11

Mr.Louden offered the following:

"Resolved That in the opinion of the Council a City Attorney is needed to attend to the business of the city and that one should be elected at the coming election."

Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Culley,Buchanan,Greer,& Pitts
Noes: Mr.Fitler

On Motion adjourned to meet on Monday evening next at 7½ o'clock P.M.

Caleb Scudder, Mayor
Daniel B.Culley,
City Clerk.

Common Council Chamber
Monday Evening Apl 17th '53

Council met. Present Caleb Scudder, Mayor, Messrs Louden,Delzell,Buchanan,Greer,Fitler,Culley & Pitts,Councilmen.

Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved.

Allowed M & I Little, Hauling gravel at crossing of East Street and Washington in July,1852 $4.00

Mr.Greer presented the following petition:

We, the undersigned officers of the O.K.Bucket Company, do petition your honorable body for a new set of wheels for our wagon, a chamber to meet in & transact business in as we will not serve, nor will the company under present circumstances. We also want our buckets painted or cemented in some way so as to prevent their leaking.

N.B.Palmer,jr. Captain
David C.Culley,Secy.
Enoch Daniss,Treasurer

On Motion by Mr.Greer:

The Chief Engineer was authorized to make all necessary repairs to wagons and to have the fire Buckets put in good order.

The Committee to whom was referred the Subject of the construction of Town Clock, reported a memorandum of a contract with John Moffitt for the building of it.

On Motion it was

Ordered, That the Mayor sign said contract in behalf of this Common Council.

The following resolution was offered for adoption:

Resolved, That the following persons be appointed officers to superintend the City election as required by law:
For the 1st Ward S.B.Williamson Inspector, W.W.Wright & William Wallace, Judges.
For the 2d Ward Andrew A.Brouse Inspector, John Wilkins and Isaac N. Phipps Judges.
For the 3d Ward John S.Allen Inspector, William Mansur and Archibald Lingenfelter, Judges.
For the 4th Ward Henry S.Rockey Inspector, Ellison Brown and Thomas Dunning Judges.
For the 5th Ward Wm. Bobson Inspector, Thomas Gott & Wm.Jones,Judges.
" " 6th Ward James Vanblaricum Inspector, John F.Ramsay and Christian Dunbar,
For the 7th Ward Wm.L.Wingate,Hiram Seibert and Charles Secrist Judges.

Adopted by the following vote:
Ayes: Messrs Louden,Delzell,Buchanan,Fitler,Greer,Pitts & Culley. Noes 0.

On Motion by Mr.Greer it was
Ordered That the City election be holden in the various wards at the Ward School Houses.

On Motion adjourned to meet Wednesday evening at 7½ O'Clock P.M.
Caleb Scudder, Mayor
Daniel B.Culley,City Clerk.

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Common Council Chamber
April 20th 1853

Council met. Present Mr.Caleb Scudder Mayor, Messrs Louden,Delzell, Culley,Buchanan,Fitler & Pitts,Councilmen
Minutes of preceding meeting read & approved.

The Treasurer made a yearly report, which was read and
On Motion by Mr.Pitts
It was referred to an investigating committee consisting of three members.

The Committee appointed were Messrs Culley,Pitts & Louden.

Allowed for making sidewalks in the 3d Ward South Side of Ohio between Tennessee & Mississippi Streets. $50.75

Allowed for making sidewalk along the front of an alley in Square No. facing New Jersey Street 32.34

"The following petition was read:
To the Mayor & Common Council of Indianapolis: Gentlemen:
I wish to lay before you the following proposition. I have a half lot in what is called the Hospital Square fronting east on New Jersey Street and adjoining the School lot in the 1st Ward. The front of said lot I wish to exchange making a north front, giving to the School lot as many Square feet as I get, giving motherefore Sixty five (65) feet on Vermont Street running back across both lots making one hundred feet deep, this will leave the School lot 130 feet on Vermont & 100 feet on New Jersey Street. I propose removing the fences and outbuildings at my expense.

All of which I respectfully Submit E.A.Hall".

Mr.Louden moved to refer the petition to a select committee of three. Carried.

Messrs Delzell,Culley, & Buchanan were appointed said committee.

On Motion by Mr.Pitts it was
Ordered, That the City Clerk procure ballot boxes for the several Wards.

On Motion by Mr.Louden
The Council adjourned to meet on Friday evening April 29th 1853.
Caleb Scudder, Mayor
Daniel B.Culley,
City Clerk

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Common Council Chamber
April 29th 1853

Council assembled. Present Mr.Caleb Scudder, Mayor, Messrs Delzell, Louden,Culley,Buchanan, Greer & Pitts, Councilmen.
Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

The Street Commissioner reported the following as the amt of labor done under his direction in the City during the month of April not heretofore reported:

John Hely	Labor	4.50
Hugh Slaven	Hauling etc.	13.50
M.O'Brien	Labor	5.50
M.Rinney	Labor	5.50
Patrick Griffin	Labor	4.95
Allowed Delzell & Tyler	Books & Stationery	29.50
Allowed Horatio C.Newcomb	Professional Services	6.00
do Caleb Scudder Mayor	Room Rent	25.00

The following bill was presented from the treasurer the City Council Dr.
For the amt of Room Rent, Treasurer's office to date 60.00

On Motion by Mr.Greer, said account was referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs Pitts,Greer & Louden.

Mr.B.I.Blyth's account for Street crossing improvements was presented and on Motion by Mr.Greer, so much of the acct was allowed as was ordered by the Council ie 7.00

Allowed	Garrett & Davis for two bells for Hook & Ladder Company	10.00
"	West & Robb for furnishing materials & making seats for Invincible Co.	10.00
"	Joseph Langbein 3 mos. rent Invincible Engine House	9.00
"	Craighedd & Browning Relief Fire Co.	16.97
"	J.I.Williams bokks for Fire Association	3.75
"	Garratt & Dans 4 Hub Bands for Bucket wagon	2.00

The Relief Fire Company prayed for an allowance to this Secretary of $11.50. Was on Motion by Mr.Greer, laid on the table.

Mr.Delzell from a committee on that Subject, made the following report:
Your committee on Streets, alleys, bridges, etc. report that they have been unable to contract for the building of the bridge heretofore ordered to be let in consequence of City Orders being below par.

Mr.Greer offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That the Marshal be directed to notify the officers of the Lafayette and Indianapolis & Terre Haute & Indianapolis Railroad Companies to grade and gravel Louisiana Street as far as occupied by them; & that the City Engineer be ordered to set the stakes for grade.

Adopted by the following vote: Ayes-. Messrs Delzell,Louden,Buchanan, Culley,Greer & Pitts 6 Noes 0

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The following petition was presented

To the City Council of Indianapolis:

The undersigned property holders on New York Street between Meridian & Illinois Streets petition your honorable body to order that Streets, gutters & sidewalks graded and graveled, and have the same let and done in conjunction, and at the same time with the letting & making of Meridian Street and sidewalks as has been lately been ordered by your body.

Abm L.Voorhees	195 feet	Samuel E.Perkins	195
C.Y.McLean	195 "	George Baker	195

Said work was let to Jeremiah Shea

On Motion, the prayer of the petition was granted, & it was
Ordered, That the City Engineer set grade stakes for said improvement.

Mr.Delzell moved that the fine assessed against against Thomas Keenan for a violation of an ordinance for fast riding in the city by the Mayor be remitted.

On Motion laid on the table by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs Louden,Culley,Pitts & Scudder 4
Noes: Messrs Delzell,Greer, & Buchanan, 3

Mr.Louden offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The City Council did,sometime since purchase with the School money Lot No.4, in Square No. 37, at a price equal at the present time to $700. At a meeting held March 14, 1853, the Council determined to retain it for Fire Engine purposes; and as a matter of course said sum of $700 should be refunded to the School Fund, therefore

Resolved, That the City Clerk draw an order upon the General Fund for the above amount in favor of School Fund.

On Motion referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs Greer, Louden & Pitts.

On Motion it was
Resolved, That Wm. E.Featherston be appointed Inspector of election of First Ward, in the stead of L.B.Williamson, declined
By the following vote: Ayes. Messrs Delzell,Louden,Culley,Buchanan,Greer & Pitts 6 Noes,0

Mr.Culley from a Select Committee made the following report:

The five cisterns contracted for with Wm. Woods have all been completed three have been received and paid for in full, the fourth one located at the crossing of Ohio & Meridian Streets have not yet been received, having retained the sum of $22.56 to insure the completion, nothing has been paid for the fifth; Of the five contracted with Mr.Pipher one has been completed $130 paid thereon but not yet received and another

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nearly completed, the contract price is 50¢ a brl.

On Motion by Mr.Buchanan,
Resolved, That the committee on Wells and Cisterns be authorized to have a well and pump constructed at the Marion Engine House, also one at the Western Liberties Engine House."

Mr.Culley from a Select Committee on that Subject, made the following report:

The committee to which was referred the yearly Statement of the Treasurer report that they have examined the books and papers of the Treasurer, and find them to conform to the report made by the Treasurer, and that the cash reported is in his hands Subject to the orders of the Council.

On Motion Adjourned to meet on Monday evening.
Attest: Caleb Scudder, Mayor.
Daniel B.Culley,City Clerk.

Common Council Chamber
May 2d. 1853

The Council assembled. Present Caleb Scudder, Mayor, Delzell,Buchanan, Fitler,Greer, & Pitts, Councilman.

Minutes of the preceeding meeting read and approved.

The Treasurer's monthly report read and accepted.

The City Clerk's yearly report was read and on motion ordered to be printed.

The Street Commissioner's report was read and the following allowances made.

Allowed	D.Martin	Labor	6.24
"	Hugh Slevin	"	15.00
"	Michael Reston	"	.62
"	John Hannan	"	4.37
"	Pat Griffin	"	1.25

On Motion by Mr.Greer the fine assessed against Thomas Keenan by the Mayor for fast riding in the public streets was remitted by the following vote;

Ayes: Messrs Delzell,Buchanan,Fitler,Greer 4
Noes: Mr.Pitts 1

Allowed	John Vetter	1 Bk waln box for O.K.B.Co.	3.50
"	Ez. McNeely	Removing nuisance	2.75
"	John Conway	" "	3.50

Mr.Pitts Chairman of the Street committee on that subject made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the account of A.F.Shortridge for Office rent would report favorably & recommend its allowance. Concurred in.

Allowed	A.F.Shortridge	Room rent Treasurer's office	60.00
"	Daniel B.Culley	" " Clerk's "	25.00

Mr. Pitts presented the following petition:

We, the undersigned property holders on the north side of Washington Street, between the Canal and white River, petition the common Council of Indianapolis to order the sidewalk on said street between said points graded and graveled with river gravel or sifted pit gravel.

Martin Davenport	67½ ft.	Jno.Carlisle	420 feet
G.W.Gussendorf	95 "	C.Shilemaerl	47½ "
Thos.Whitehead	95 "	J.Stevens	67½
Chas. Kocker	67½ "	J.M.Mc.Keenan	67½
D.Carlisle	93 "		

On Motion the prayer of the petition was granted and the Civil Engineer ordered to give grade stakes.

On Motion by Mr.Fitler it was

"Ordered, That the Marshal cause handbills to be posted in conspictuous places cautioning persons against carrying away or destroying the shrubbery in the city grave yards."

On Motion by Mr.Fitler it was

Resolved, That a committee of one be appointed to consult with the Terre Haute & Richmond Railroad Company in relation to the grading of Louisiana Street."

By the following vote: Ayes: Messrs Delzell,Buchanan,Fitler, Greer & Pitts 5
Mr.Greer was appointed said committee.

On the Motion by Mr.Fitler
Allowed George W. Harlan, Market Master extra compensation. $35.00

On Motion Adjourned sine die

Caleb Scudder, Mayor

Attest:
Daniel B.Culley,
City Clerk.

(The following found in rear of Ledger #2, carries no Ledger Page Number. Listing these Pages as (A), (B), (C), etc.)

1.	Herr Alexander 4 Exhibitions	Ledgerdmain	20.00
2.	Mr.Dempser 1 "	Concert (May 26,'52)	5.00
3.	M.Schneider Pedling 1 month		3.00
4.	J.H.Junn & Co.'s Circus 2 days,	Circus & S.Show(July 3 & 5)	60.00
5.	Licenses to date		163.00
6.	OBed Foote Auctioneers License 1 year	from Nov.22.	35.00
7.	Johnson Caman Concert License	Dec.20, 1 night	5.00
8.	" " " "	" 21, 1 "	5.00
9.	V.Dutch " "	Jany.21, 1 mo. W.Hall	25.00
10.	Do " "	Feby.21, " " "	25.00
11.	W.Y.Wiley Auction License	Dec.2,'52, 1 year	35.00
12.	H.S.Mills " "	March 11,'53 "	35.00
13.	A.E.Jones Concert License	1 night	5.00
14.	John Kelleyan Peddler	6 mos.	3.00

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1851 No. of interments in Indianapolis Grave Yard

July	62	62	
Augt.	35	35	
Sept.	1st.week 7, 2d week 12 ; 3 week 7; 4th week 10; 8 to the last day Wednesday	44	141
Oct. 1	6 internments to Saturday 4th; Second week 8, this week 6, 4th 10. 4-23	24	
Nov.	1 week 2: 2 week 3: 3 week 3; 4th week 3; during m	12	
Dec.	During month	8	44
Jany.		9	
Feby.		12	
Mar.		22	43

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Licenses issued in 1849

No. 1.	Mann & Manly	Pedlers License 1 yr. from May 19,1849	$15.00
" 2.	Joseph Green	do do 1 yr. from June 11,1849	15.00
" 3.	J.B.Hardy(not taken out)	Exhibition License 1 day towit June 13,1849	5.00
" 4.	E.F. & J,Mabie	do 1 da y towit July 31,1849	25.00
" 5.	Crane & Co.	do do 1 do Sept.13,1849	50.00
" 6.	Antania & Brother	do do 3 days Oct.2,3,4	10.00
" 7	D.B.Robinson & Co.	Pedling license 1 year from Oct.22,1849	15.00
" 8.	Armstrong & Martin	do do 1 year from Dec.10,1849	15.00

No. 9. E.I.Brittingham Exhibition License 6 days from Dec.20,1849 20.00
" 10. Wilcox,Emet & Brother Pedlars License 1 year from Janry 11,1850 15.00
" 11. Biddle & McOuat Auctioneering License 1 year from Oct.25 1849 35.00
" 12. John & Owen Roach Pedlers License 3 days from July 26,1850 3.00
" 13. Haskins & Manly " " 1 year from Sept.18,1850 15.00
" 14. Empire Minstrels Exhibition License 3 days from Oct.17 to 19th 1850 15.00
" 15. " " " " 1 day Oct.21,1850 5.00
" 16. John Twiss Auctioneers License 1 year from 9th of Novem 1850 15.00
" 17. Herr Henry Alexander Slight of hand license 1 night only Nov.23d,1850 5.00
" 18. Wm. Anderton Theatrical performance Jan.11,1851 5.00
" 19. " " " " " 13, " 10.00
" 20. " " " " 17 " 10.00
" 21. " " " " 20 " 10.00
" 22. " " " " 23 " 10.00
" 23 Fakir of Lina Legermain 28th 1851 30.00
" 24 Peter Wanamaker Peddle oranges and fruits 3 months from (see prodeeding of May 13,'51 May 13,1851 5.00
" 25. Manager of Indian Shows Exhibition 1 night and day May 29,1851 5.00
" 26 " " " " " 1 night May 30,1851 5.00
" 27. Green Exhibition of Eutopean 1 night & day June 2,1851 5.00
" 28. A gentleman peddle oranges & lemons 3 months from July 7,1851 5.00
" 29. Green Circus 1 night 25.00
" 30. Wilkinses Concert 1 night 5.00
" 31. Manly & Co. Pedler's license 1 year from July 11,1851 15.00
" 32. Biddle & McOuat Auctioneer's License 1 year from Oct.25,1850 35.00
" 33. Door & Arnold, Peddling license, 1 year from July 24,1851 15.00
" 34. J.P.Whipple(Reynold's Agt) Peddling license,1 year from Sept.3,1851 15.00
" 35. Raymond & Co.& VanAmburgh & Co. Menagerie,1 year from Sept.4,1851 50.00
" 36. I.Swanser, Ledgerdmain 1 day Sept.15 5.00
" 37. McCormack, Performance 1 " Nov. 5.00
" 38. John T.Ford, Kunkel's Nightingale Etheopians, 5 nights commencing the 4 25.00
" 39. Dunsuch, Giant and Dissolving Viscro,6 Nights commencing the 12 18.00
" 40. do do do 1 " " 3.00
" 41. Patrick Dougherty, Peddling & c, 10 days commencing the 19 2.00
" 42. Francis Campbell " " " " " 19 2.00
" 43 Madam Bishop, Singing 1 " " 19 5.00
" 44. Babeer Family do 2 " " 10.00
" 45. Fakir of Sina, Faking 4 " 20.00
" 46. " " " 1 " 5.00

No.	47.	Mathew Tracy, Peddling,	December 12,	5.00
"	48.	James Gentle, Auctioneering,	One year from Oct.25,1851 to 25th Oct.1853	35.00
"	49.	I.P.Ash, Concert,	One day	5.00
"	50.	Thos.B.Coffey, Peddling,	" week	2.00
"	51.	A.E.Innis, Concert,	3 nights	15.00
"	2.	Winchel, "	2 "	10.00
"	3.	Lufant & Drumm, "	3 "	15.00
"	4.	Mathew Tracy, Peddling	3 months	5.00
"	5.	Door & Arnold "	One year from Sept.3,'52	15.00
		Obed Foote, Auctioneering	One year	35.00
		W.Y.Wiley, do	One year	35.00

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